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LUTHER THOMPSON HARTSELL, JR.  
*Grand Master 1947-1948*

## LUTHER THOMPSON HARTSELL, JR.

Eleven years ago this scribe, in preparing a sketch of the life of our Grand Master for the Proceedings of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina on the occasion of his being installed Grand High Priest of that body of Masons, made the following comment:

"(Brother) Hartsell is a man of engaging personality and of wide interests. One of the youngest men ever to be installed to this office, he has already written his name large on the records of the legal profession in his native state, and he has been legal counsel in some of the most important litigation which has come before the courts of the state in recent years.

"Youth was ever more aggressive than age. The subject of this sketch is not the sort of man to accept things simply because they 'have been done that way in the past'; he is given to study and examination of problems and conditions before him, and to critical inspection of traditional processes and procedures, to the end that possible improvements which may have been overlooked by others, may have attention focused upon them. A combination of the aggressiveness of a man of large vision at the age of 34, and of the habit of constantly evaluating that which is laid before him, has served to pin onto our Grand High Priest in the minds of some the label of 'Masonic radical'; but those who know him well, know that Luther Hartsell's thinking processes are fundamentally sound and that his Masonry is pure and undefiled."

It is not very often that one is called upon to write such a sketch as this of a Masonic official, and then after more than a decade to write another about the same subject upon his installation to a position of still greater responsibility and of larger opportunity for service. That sketch written eleven years ago has come to be a prophetic document.

We are just now discovering that we are running away with our lines. It is the conventional thing to give to the reader some account of the life of him who has been duly elected and installed to be the Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, and not to wait until one comes to the end of the biographical sketch to do it, either. What, therefore, is the biographical record of Luther Thompson Hartsell, Junior?

Our Grand Master was born in Concord, North Carolina, on September 7, 1902, son of Luther T. and Janie Witherspoon (Ervin) Hartsell. He attended the public schools of the city of Concord, completing the high school course there in June, 1918. He then was registered as a student in the University of North Carolina, graduating both in the school of Liberal Arts and in the School of Law. After his graduation, he returned to Concord and, having passed the North Carolina examination and obtained his license to practice law, he formed a partnership with his father in the law firm of Hartsell and Hartsell, which continues to this day. He is a member of the several Bars; Cabarrus County to the United States Supreme Court. He has served as president of the North Carolina State Bar, and also has held a very responsible position with this in preparing and administering the examinations by which candidates may be admitted to the Bar in this state.

On October 24th, 1924, he was married to the beautiful Mary Heath Jones, at Lancaster, South Carolina. There are two children; the older being Miss Lena Heath Hartsell, and the younger, Luther Thompson Hartsell, third. It is appropriate to say that the home life of the Hartsells is most charming and replete with the spirit of mutual helpfulness. The wife of any man who has served in as many Masonic offices as have come to our Grand Master, must well understand the significance of the common phrase, "Masonic widow". We doubt not that she will enjoy some of his official experiences with her distinguished husband, our Grand Master.

We now note some of his many connections, social and professional. He is a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, and of the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity; of the Cabarrus Country Club, of the Carolina Country Club; and has been connected with other fraternal societies and with civic clubs, having served as Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis Clubs. He has for a number of years served as Director of the General Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Oxford Orphanage. His native county has used his services as Chairman of the County Board of Elections, and as County Attorney. He has also served the senatorial district as Senator in the General Assembly of North Carolina. In religion he is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Concord; and he has given many years of service as a deacon of that church.

In Freemasonry our Grand Master has served with zeal and consistency and made a brilliant record. The record shows that he became a Master Mason on December 29th, 1924, in Stokes Lodge, and has served his lodge in many offices and capacities. In the Grand Lodge, he served for many years as a member of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. They used to have a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge every year on St. John's Day in June, at Oxford, with some outstanding Mason as the Orator; and we find that he was the Orator on St. John's Day, 1928. He is a Past Master also of N. C. Lodge of Research, No. 666. He is the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Our Grand Master, as had already been stated, was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of North Carolina in 1936-1937, having become a Royal Arch Mason in 1925. This sketch would grow to be entirely too long if we should set out to give the many details of his able and useful service to the Royal Craft. He was exalted in John C. Drewry Chapter, of Concord, and is still a member thereof.

In the Cryptic Rite, we find that he was one of the charter members of Concord Council, No. 25, of Concord, having been Greeted in Charlotte Chapter in 1926. He was the first Thrice Illustrious Master of Concord Council. He is now one of the Line Officers of the Grand Council of North Carolina, having served that body in various places of responsibility.

In the Order of the Temple, he was dubbed a Knight Templar in Charlotte Commandery, and assisted in the organization of Cannon Commandery, No. 38, of Concord, in 1930, being its first Eminent Commander. He in due time was called upon to serve the Grand Commandery of North Carolina, in the official line, and became Grand Commander in 1944. It should be noted here also that

he is a member of the Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

Grand Master Hartsell has long been a loyal member of several of the smaller Masonic groups in this country. He was one of the founders of St. John of Patmos Conclave No. 67, of the Red Cross of Constantine, and when St. Titus Conclave was formed in 1935, he became the first Sovereign. He was dubbed Chevalier Bienfaicent de la Cité Sainte in 1934 by authority of the Great Priory of Helvetia, Switzerland, and is now the head of the Great Priory of America, C. B. C. S. In 1931 he became a Knight Templar Priest by authority of Christchurch Tabernacle, New Zealand, and of the original Tabernacle at Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. He is now the Grand Registrar of the Grand College of America, H. R. A. K. T. P. He is a member of The Council St. Patrick's in America, No. 26, of Knight Masons of Ireland. He became one of the founders of the Grand Council of the United States of America of the Allied Masonic Degrees, and in 1941 he became its Sovereign Grand Master. He holds the rank and decoration of Knight Grand Cross of that Grand Council. He was one of the Founders of the Grand College of Rites of the United States, and was its Grand Chancellor in 1937. He is a member of the VII grade of the *Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis*, North Carolina College. And he is a Knight of the York Cross of Honour, and it is believed that in due course he will hold that coveted honor, the Grand Cross of Honour with Four Quadrants.

It is no short story, to recount the Masonic activities of this distinguished Mason. When the records of the second Quarter of the present century have finally been collected with respect to North Carolina and the country as a whole, Luther Thompson Hartsell's name will be found to have been written in large way both in Masonry and in the shaping of the destiny of his chosen profession. He possesses in rare balance the qualities that go to make up the really useful Masonic servant—integrity beyond reproach, unselfishness that impels him to treat opportunities for service as synonymous with duties, ability to think a problem out, to stand before a group of Masons and obtain their sympathetic attention and to get his points over; fearlessness to prompt him to attack problems that go deep into Masonry even when handling them does not conduce to immediate popularity; the capacity to understand Masons wherever he finds them, from seashore to mountains, and to assist them to put their Masonry on a higher level for his participation therein.

We have in this sketch given a picture of a Mason at Masonry's best; we have given many of the details of that picture, but we dare not hope that we have succeeded in giving it all. The reader will forgive our omissions, we hope, and justly admire and love the subject of this sketch. One detail we think of even as we close: Luther Hartsell is a member of the Charlotte bodies of the Scottish Rite, and proud of his connection therewith. Not so many years ago we expressed to him the hope that he would become a Scottish Rite Mason, and he was pleased to seek admission.

—J. E. A.

## PAST GRAND MASTERS

### A LIST OF THE PAST GRAND MASTERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM 1787 TO 1946 INCLUSIVE AND DATES WHEN ELECTED

*Samuel Johnston -----1787	*Samuel H. Smith-----1889, '90
*Richard Caswell -----1788	*Hezekiah A. Gudger--1891, '92
*Samuel Johnston--1789, '90, '91	*John W. Cotten-----1893, '94
*Wm. R. Davie-----1792, '93, '94,	*Francis M. Moyer-----1895, '96
'95, '96, '97, '98	*Walter E. Moore-----1897, '98
*William Polk-----1799, 1800, '01	*Richard J. Noble-----1899
*John L. Taylor--1802, '03, '04	*B. S. Royster-----1900, '01
*John Hall-----1805, '06, '07	*H. I. Clark-----1902, '03
*Benjamin Smith--1808, '09, '10	*W. S. Liddell-----1904, '05
*Robert Williams--1811, '12, '13	*Francis D. Winston--1906, '07
*John L. Taylor--1814, '15, '16	*Samuel M. Gattis-----1908, '09
*Calvin Jones-----1817, '18, '19	*Richard N. Hackett--1910, '11
*John A. Cameron-----1820, '21	*W. B. McKoy-----1912
*James Strudwick Smith--1822	*F. M. Winchester-----1913
*Robert Strange-----1823, '24	*Jno. T. Alderman-----1914
*H. G. Burton-----1825, '26	F. P. Hobgood, Jr.-----1915
*L. D. Wilson-----1827, '28, '29	*A. B. Andrews, Jr.-----1916
*R. D. Speight, Jr.-----1830, '31	*Claude L. Pridgen-----1917
*S. J. Baker-----1832	*George S. Norfleet-----1918
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† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

June 28th, 1946

A Special Communication of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was held in the Hall of Oxford Lodge No. 122, A. F. & A. M., in Oxford, North Carolina, on Friday afternoon, June 28, 1946, at 2:00 o'clock with the following present:

M. W. William J. Bundy†, C. L. (284)	GRAND MASTER
R. W. Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.† (32)	Deputy Grand Master
M. W. E. W. Timberlake* (282)	As Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Wilkins P. Horton† (102)	Junior Grand Warden
M. W. Watson N. Sherrod* (447)	As Grand Treasurer
R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151)	Grand Secretary
Rev. P. F. Newton† (488)	As Grand Chaplain
W. Garrason A. Farrow†, C. L. (568)	Grand Lecturer
W. Wallace E. Caldwell† (408)	Senior Grand Deacon
W. Chas. A. Harris† (113)	As Junior Grand Deacon
W. William H. White† (151)	Grand Marshal
M. W. J. Edward Allen* (10)	As Grand Steward
W. Robert L. Pugh† (568)	Grand Steward
W. Fred F. Harding† (500)	Grand Tiler
M. W. J. Edward Allen* (10)	Grand Historian
W. R. B. Spencer (40)	Grand Auditor
R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151)	Grand Librarian
Rev. William C. Francis, C. L. (7)	Asst. Grand Chaplain

## PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

Alexander B. Andrews* (218)	J. Wallace Winborne* (237)
Dr. Hubert M. Poteat* (282)	Watson N. Sherrod* (447)
E. W. Timberlake* (282)	J. Edward Allen* (10)
Dr. Charles P. Eldridge* (218)	

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by M. W. Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master, and he announced that this Special Communication was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of, and paying the last tribute of respect to, Brother Creasy Kinion Proctor, Past Grand Chaplain, Past Grand Orator, and Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage since August 1, 1928, Brother Proctor having died on Tuesday evening, June 25, at 9:55 o'clock.

The Grand Master conducted the usual service in the

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

Lodge Hall, and appointed the following Brethren to serve as Pallbearers: M. F. Hill, Frank M. Pinnix, J. H. Landrum, E. G. McSwain, M. E. Parham, A. B. Overton, W. A. Booth, and E. T. Regan.

The Grand Master read from the Address of Grand Master Raymond C. Dunn in 1929 that part of the Address which referred to Brother Proctor as the newly-elected Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, being a tribute to and commendation of Brother Proctor.

The Grand Marshal then formed the procession which proceeded to Oxford Methodist Church where services were held.

At the conclusion of the services at the Church, the remains were conveyed to Elmwood Cemetery where they were interred with Masonic Honors.

The Grand Lodge then returned to the Lodge Hall.

The Grand Master appointed the following as a committee to draft suitable resolutions to be presented at the next Annual Communication of The Grand Lodge: Brothers Chas. P. Eldridge, P. G. M., Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., Deputy Grand Master; and Wallace E. Caldwell, Senior Grand Deacon.

The minutes were read and approved, and The Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master*.

ATTEST:

W. L. McIVER, *Grand Secretary*.



## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

September 11th, 1946

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, pursuant to the call of Most Worshipful Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master, convened in Special Communication in the Masonic Temple at Raleigh, North Carolina, on Wednesday, September 11th, 1946, at 10:00 a. m., and was opened in AMPLE FORM by M. W. William J. Bundy, presiding, it appearing that a constitutional number of lodges were represented.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Robert S. Boyd, Grand Chaplain, following which the assembled brethren repeated in unison the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following were present:

## GRAND OFFICERS

M. W. William J. Bundy†, C. L. (284)	GRAND MASTER
R. W. Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.† (32)	<i>Deputy Grand Master</i>
R. W. Maxwell E. Hoffman† (118)	<i>Senior Grand Warden</i>
R. W. Wilkins P. Horton† (102)	<i>Junior Grand Warden</i>
M. W. Herbert C. Alexander* (31)	<i>Grand Treasurer</i>
R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151)	<i>Grand Secretary</i>
Rev. Robert S. Boyd (284)	<i>Grand Chaplain</i>
W. Garrason A. Farrow†, C. L. (568)	<i>Grand Lecturer</i>
W. James W. Brewer†, C. I. (284)	<i>As Senior Grand Deacon</i>
W. Herbert M. Foy† (322)	<i>Junior Grand Deacon</i>
W. William H. White† (151)	<i>Grand Marshal</i>
W. Edwin T. Howard† (344)	<i>Grand Steward</i>
W. Robert L. Pugh† (568)	<i>Grand Steward</i>
W. Fred F. Harding† (500)	<i>Grand Tiler</i>
M. W. J. Edward Allen* (10)	<i>Grand Historian</i>
W. Robert B. Spencer (40)	<i>Grand Auditor</i>
R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151)	<i>Grand Librarian</i>
Rev. W. C. Francis, C. L. (7)	<i>Asst. Grand Chaplain</i>

## PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

Alexander B. Andrews* (218)	J. Edward Allen* (10)
E. W. Timberlake* (282)	Thos. J. Harkins* (118)
Herbert C. Alexander* (31)	Charles P. Eldridge* (218)
Charles B. Newcomb* (1)	Julius C. Hobbs* (1)
Watson N. Sherrod* (447)	Clyde H. Jarrett* (529)

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master



## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

2. Windsor	H. A. Campen†, C. I. (7)
4. Halifax	H. Will Nelson† (519)
5. Greenville	James W. Brewer†, C. I. (284)
6. Kinston	Claude S. Hinnant† (340)
12. Rockingham	Joseph W. Thompson† (532)
14. Fayetteville	Thos. G. Slate†, C. I. (8)
15. Raleigh	C. B. Shulenberger† (500)
16. Apex	L. G. Jordan†, C. L. (584)
20. Oxford	E. T. Regan†, C. I. (122)
21. Durham	J. Marvin Mangum†, C. I. (210)
23. Greensboro	John E. Oakes†, C. L. (552)
24. Asheboro	N. W. Freeman†, C. L. (437)
25. Salisbury	Jas. H. Carver† C. L. (283)
26. Monroe	Chas. D. Roberts† (244)
27. Charlotte	M. C. Alexandre† (530)
28. Gastonia	Dr. Chas. H. Pugh† (369)
29. Statesville	R. E. Levan† (27)
33. Wilkesboro	J. W. Nichols† (407)
38. Hendersonville	A. J. Creasman† (446)
42. Sylva	C. Gordon Moore† (145)

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

## REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES

(Special Communication—September 11, 1946)

1 St. John's (10)	Wilmington	Haywood C. Porter, M.; A. J. Burriss, Proxy for S. W.; J. K. Davis, J. W.
3 St. John's (7)	New Bern	William J. Ipock, M.; John H. Parker, Proxy for S. W.
5 Charity (2)	Windsor	A. L. Tarkington, M.; A. J. Yates, S. W.; T. S. Lassiter, Proxy for J. W.
7 Unanimity (2)	Edenton	H. A. Campen, Proxy for M.; R. P. Baer, II, Proxy for S. W.; Rev. W. C. Francis, J. W.
8 Phoenix (14)	Fayetteville	Frank McBryde, S. W.; R. Vincent McBryde, J. W.
13 St. John's (9)	Kenansville	R. L. King, M.; E. C. Newton, S. W.
19 Eagle (21)	Hillsboro	E. C. Liner, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
27 Statesville (29)	Statesville	Ben L. Watts, Proxy for M.; A. H. Peoples, S. W.
40 Hiram (15)	Raleigh	John S. White, M.; Bert W. Kenyon, Jr., S. W.; W. Ralph Butts, J. W.
56 King Solomon (4)	Jackson	H. L. Joyner, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
58 Concord (18)	Tarboro	Worth Wicker, Proxy for M.
76 Greensboro (23)	Greensboro	F. J. Sorell, M.; Geo. R. Bennette, Proxy for S. W.
84 Fellowship (14)	Smithfield	Joe R. Overby, Proxy for M.; A. M. Baggett, J. W.
95 Jerusalem (6)	Hookerton	C. E. Vause, M.; F. S. Taylor, Proxy for J. W.
97 Millbrook (15)	Millbrook	W. P. Ware, M.; J. H. Norwood, Proxy for S. W.
99 Fulton (25)	Salisbury	Marvin G. Cline, Proxy for M.; Ernest Wm. Cook, Proxy for S. W.; A. E. Chambers, J. W.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

104 Orr (3)-----	Washington-----	Millard F. McKeel, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
106 Perquimans (1)-----	Hertford-----	M. H. Umphlett, S. W.
112 Wayne (6)-----	Goldsboro-----	Lester H. Gillikin, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
113 Person (20)-----	Roxboro-----	C. A. Harris, Proxy for M.
118 Mt. Hermon (39)-----	Asheville-----	Plott Boyd, M.
122 Oxford (20)-----	Oxford-----	M. F. Hill, Proxy for M.; B. D. Bunn, Proxy for S. W.; A. Sidney Harris, J. W.
132 Radiance (6)-----	Snow Hill-----	A. D. Leon Gray, Proxy for M. and J. W.; R. J. Walker, Jr., Proxy for S. W.
145 Junaluskee (42)-----	Franklin-----	C. Gordon Moore, Proxy for M.; G. L. Houk, S. W.; E. E. Ward, J. W.
151 Sanford (13)-----	Sanford-----	Calvin A. Watson, M.; Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
162 Yadkin (30)-----	Yadkinville-----	F. D. B. Harding, Proxy for M.; Bill Dinkins, Proxy for S. W.
167 Winston (30)-----	Winston-Salem-----	C. C. Cash, S. W. and Proxy for M. and J. W.
171 Colerain (2)-----	Colerain-----	S. W. McKeel, Proxy for M.
190 Fair Bluff (10)-----	Fair Bluff-----	H. H. Purvis, M.; E. D. Meares, J. W.
206 Mingo (9)-----	Dunn RFD-----	Warren Jackson, M.; T. H. Hinson, J. W.
207 Lebanon (10)-----	Whiteville-----	H. G. Avant, Proxy for M.; J. J. Garrell, Proxy for S. W.; W. H. Stephens, Proxy for J. W.
210 Eno (21)-----	Durham-----	R. E. Newton, Proxy for M.; J. A. Morgan, J. W.
218 Wm. G. Hill (16)-----	Raleigh-----	James P. Fulpless, M.; S. D. Storey, S. W.; Jack C. Kirby, J. W.
230 Corinthian (18)-----	Rocky Mount-----	J. V. Randolph, M.; J. W. Thurman, Proxy for S. W.; C. B. Holder, Proxy for J. W.
231 Wm. T. Bain (16)-----	McCullers-----	S. G. Jones, M.; T. G. Ogburn, S. W., Claude Stephenson, Proxy for J. W.
271 Tobasco (23)-----	Gibsonville-----	A. J. House, Proxy for M.
282 Wake Forest (15)-----	Wake Forest-----	Samuel Sidenberg, S. W.; Proxy for J. W.
284 Greenville (5)-----	Greenville-----	W. F. Owens, M.; Linda F. Stokes, S. W.; F. L. Whitehurst, Proxy for J. W.
289 Salem (30)-----	Winston-Salem-----	Chas. S. Kimel, Proxy for M.
304 Pleasant Hill (6)-----	Pink Hill-----	Tom Davis, M.; Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
317 Eureka (1)-----	Elizabeth City-----	C. T. Moore, M.; Paul A. Penny, S. W.; R. M. Wynn, Proxy for J. W.
319 Wilmington (10)-----	Wilmington-----	John W. Wenberg, M.; and Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
320 Selma (17)-----	Selma-----	Geo. W. Blount, M.; Leon Brown, Proxy for S. W.
340 Harmony (6)-----	Pikeville-----	W. H. Barfield, M.
344 Numa F. Reid (23)-----	High Point-----	A. Coke Cecil, Proxy for M.; Homer H. Leonard, Proxy for S. W.; L. F. Honeycutt, J. W.
352 Durham (21)-----	Durham-----	A. B. Elkins, Proxy for M.; H. M. Brown, Proxy for S. W.
369 Gastonia (28)-----	Gastonia-----	S. N. Boyce, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
407 North Wilkesboro (33)-----	N. Wilkesboro-----	Frank H. Crow, Proxy for M., S. W., and J. W.
408 University (21)-----	Chapel Hill-----	T. E. Hinson, M.; Sol Lipman, Proxy for S. W.; John H. Hinson, J. W.
409 Bula (21)-----	Burlington-----	W. L. Burke, Proxy for M.; R. D. Anthony, S. W.; W. S. Owens, J. W.
413 Louisburg (19)-----	Louisburg-----	I. P. Wheeler, M.
433 Vanceboro (7)-----	Vanceboro-----	A. F. Wood, M.
437 Biscoe (24)-----	Biscoe-----	N. W. Freeman, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.

446 Biltmore (38)	Asheville	Wm. B. Ingle, M.; Alfred J. Creasman, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
447 Enfield (4)	Enfield	Watson N. Sherrod, Proxy for M.
492 Thos. M. Holt (21)	Graham	James S. Cook, Proxy for M., S. W., and J. W.
500 Raleigh (15)	Raleigh	Wm. B. Caviness, M.; LeRoy A. Lanier, S. W.; John R. Sexton, J. W.
505 Cherryville (28)	Cherryville	D. P. Dellinger, M., Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
515 Whetstone (28)	Bessemer City	W. L. Whitley, Proxy for M. and S. W.
524 Pendleton (4)	Pendleton	J. F. Martin, Proxy for M.; Brantley DeLoatch, Proxy for S. W.
530 Joppa (27)	Charlotte	R. L. Holder, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
534 Camp Call (37)	Shelby Rt. 5	Horace Covington, Jr., Proxy for S. W.; Zeb Green, Proxy for J. W.
542 Corinthian (23)	Greensboro	B. S. Eldridge, Sr., Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
543 Spencer (25)	Spencer	W. H. Thomas, M.
573 Mt. Pleasant (33)	Champion	W. G. Walsh, Proxy for M.; LaFayette Matherly, Proxy for S. W., Howard Walker, J. W.
585 Roseboro (9)	Roseboro	Jesse E. Wilson, M.; Thurman D. Cain, S. W.; W. T. Shearin, Proxy for J. W.
602 Queen City (18)	Rocky Mount	Turner C. Feezor, M.; Thomas R. Easterling, S. W.; John D. Weaver, J. W.
650 John A. Nichols (39)	Asheville	Cornelius Leach, Proxy for M.
654 Elberta (12)	West End	B. A. Cox, M.; Joe P. Baucom, S. W.; Wm. E. Jackson, J. W.
656 Guilford (23)	Greensboro	S. L. Smith, S. W., and Proxy for M. and J. W.
657 Keller Memorial (25)	Rockwell	R. W. Brown, M.; C. L. Rhinehart, Proxy for J. W.
665 West Asheville (39)	Asheville	C. W. Penland, J. W. and Proxy for M. and S. W.
667 Ft. Bragg (14)	Fort Bragg	E. E. Tanner, M.; R. N. Hughes, Proxy for S. W.; William S. Oliver, J. W.
674 Acacia (23)	High Point	Mason E. Brown, M.; Joe H. Smith, S. W.; Wm. Creech, Proxy for J. W.
676 Temple (27)	Charlotte	Frank E. Dawson, M.; Joel J. Faulk, S. W.

The Grand Master announced that this Special Communication was called "for the purpose of considering and acting upon the sale of the Grand Lodge Temple, the repair thereof, the purchase of a new site and the erection of a Temple thereon, all other matters relating to same, and for such other business as may come before it."

The Grand Master read the "Resolution Relative to the Sale of the Masonic Temple" which was adopted at the April, 1946, Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge (See 1946 Proceedings, Pages 147 and 148); and stated that he had held conference with the Grand Lodge Line Officers, Past Grand Masters and with certain Committees of The Grand Lodge.

Brother James W. Kellogg, for the Credentials Com-

mittee, reported that 144 representatives were present with proper credentials from 79 subordinate lodges.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of the Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters and District Deputy Grand Masters, those present being listed above.

The Grand Secretary reported the inability of Past Grand Master James E. Shipman to be present on account of the illness of Mrs. Shipman, and suggested that an appropriate telegram be sent to Past Grand Master Shipman, the Grand Master so ordering.

The Grand Secretary read the following resolution which was presented by Past Grand Master Charles B. Newcomb:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That the expenses of the Grand Officers and other members of the Grand Lodge in attendance at this Special Communication be paid by the Grand Treasurer in the same manner and to the same extent as in Annual Communication."

The Grand Master referred the resolution immediately above to the Committee on Finance. The Committee on Finance having reported favorably on the resolution, a motion was duly made, seconded and carried unanimously that the resolution be adopted.

The Grand Secretary read the minutes of a meeting held on July 6, 1946, in the Grand Lodge room in the Masonic Temple at Raleigh, the said meeting being held pursuant to a call dated June 21, 1946, addressed to the Grand Lodge Line Officers, Past Grand Masters, Board of General Purposes, Grand Lodge Committee on Finance and Masonic Temple Committee, and issued by the Grand Master.

Brother Edwin W. Yates, Chairman of the Sub-Committee of the Masonic Temple Committee charged with the responsibility of receiving bids on the Masonic Temple property, reported that he had the following bids:

1. Land's Inc., \$260,000.00 Net (See Bid for Conditions).
2. Ellisburg, Inc., \$226,000.00 (See Bid for Conditions).
3. Mr. Rabinowitz, \$255,000.00 (See Bid for Conditions).
4. Mr. Wm. G. Broadfoot, \$262,000.00 (See Bid for Conditions).

Brother Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., presented the following resolution, and made a motion that it be adopted, his motion being seconded by Past Grand Master Thomas J. Harkins (NOTE: The Resolution was unanimously adopted by The Grand Lodge) :

"WHEREAS, by resolution duly adopted by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, at its Annual Communication in April, 1946, the Masonic Temple Committee was authorized and directed to receive bids and proposals for the sale of the present Masonic Temple Building in the City of Raleigh, North Carolina.

"AND WHEREAS, Land's, Inc., has submitted its bid and proposal in writing to the Committee, which Committee has recommended that the bid and proposal be accepted; therefore

"BE IT RESOLVED, by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, in Special Communication duly called and held for the purpose:

"1. That the bid and proposal of Land's, Inc., for the purchase of the present Masonic Temple Building at the intersection of Fayetteville and Hargett Streets in the City of Raleigh, North Carolina, be accepted.

"2. That the Directors and proper officers of the Masonic Temple Construction Company be and they are hereby requested, authorized and directed to cause a good and sufficient warranty deed in fee simple to be executed to Land's, Inc., its successors and assigns, upon the payment of the purchase money in the sum of \$260,000.00, and upon its release to the Grand Lodge and to the Masonic Temple Construction Company of any and all claims which the said Land's, Inc., may have on account of repairs made to quarters now occupied by Land's, Inc., and upon the execution by Land's, Inc., of a lease to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina for quarters now occupied by said Grand Lodge, all in accordance with the proposal of Land's, Inc.

"3. That the proper officers of the Grand Lodge and the Directors and proper officers of the Masonic Temple Construction Company are hereby authorized and directed in all respects to execute any and all necessary contracts and agreements for the purpose of putting this resolution into effect, and are authorized and directed to expend any and all necessary funds for the purpose of making this resolution effective without any further action on the part of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

"4. That the funds received from the sale of the Masonic Temple Building, after the payment of all necessary items of expense, shall be turned over, paid and delivered by the Masonic Temple Construction Company to the North Carolina Masonic Foundation to be held or invested in accordance with the action of the Directors of the Foundation."

Past Grand Master Thomas J. Harkins moved that all other bids submitted be declined and that the checks accompanying them be returned. This motion, duly seconded by Past Grand Master Chas. B. Newcomb, was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master Chas. B. Newcomb made a motion that a rising vote of thanks be given to W. Brother Edwin W. Yates and the other members of his Committee. The motion was duly seconded and adopted unanimously, and the rising vote was given.

The Grand Master recognized Brother S. M. Boyce, for many years a member and Chairman of our Board of Custodians, and Brother Boyce responded briefly. The Grand Master also recognized Brother P. C. Stott, Assistant Grand Lecturer, who likewise responded briefly.

The following resolution, presented by Past Grand Master Chas. B. Newcomb, was duly seconded and unanimously adopted by The Grand Lodge: "RESOLVED, That the Masonic Temple Construction Company, Incorporated, be not dissolved as a corporation, but that it be continued and the directors authorized to continue an investigation as to site, etc., for a new Masonic Temple."

The business for which this Special Communication was called having been accomplished, the minutes were read and approved, and The Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form at 11:45 a. m. by M. W. Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master.

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master.*

ATTEST:

W. L. McIVER, *Grand Secretary*



## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

October 18th, 1946

A Special Communication of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was held in the Masonic Hall at Morehead City, North Carolina, on Friday, October 18, 1946, at 1:00 o'clock p. m., the Grand Lodge being opened in AMPLE FORM by M. W. Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master, with the following officers present:

M. W. Wm. J. Bundy†, C. L. (284) ----- *GRAND MASTER*  
 R. W. Garrason A. Farrow†, C. L. (568) -- *As Deputy Grand Master*  
 R. W. Harold G. Cuthrell (300) ----- *As Senior Grand Warden*  
 R. W. Robert L. Pugh†, G. S. (568) --- *As Junior Grand Warden*  
 R. W. Harvey W. Smith† (109) ----- *As Grand Treasurer*  
 R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151) ----- *Grand Secretary*  
 Rev. William C. Francis, C. L. (7) ----- *As Grand Chaplain*  
 W. P. C. Stott†, C. L., A. G. L. (565) -- *As Grand Lecturer*  
 W. Clarence H. Parker† (75) ----- *As Senior Grand Deacon*  
 W. Herbert M. Foy† (322) ----- *Junior Grand Deacon*  
 W. Linwood E. Wade† (405) ----- *As Grand Marshal*  
 W. Ray E. Phillips†, C. L. (675) ----- *As Grand Steward*  
 W. Thos. G. Slate†, C. I. (8) ----- *As Grand Steward*  
 W. Fred F. Harding† (500) ----- *Grand Tiler*

The Grand Master announced that this Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was called for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple of Ocean Lodge No. 405 in Morehead City.

The Grand Marshal gave instructions concerning the route to be taken from the meeting to the site of the cornerstone laying, and the Brethren moved to the latter point where the ceremony was conducted in accordance with the usual custom.

Following the ceremonies, the Brethren returned to the Hall of Ocean Lodge No. 405, the Master of that Lodge expressing both his personal appreciation and that of Ocean Lodge No. 405 for the assistance of the Grand Lodge in connection with the laying of the cornerstone.

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

The Grand Master expressed his regret that Brother Luther Hamilton, scheduled as the Orator for the occasion, found it impossible to be present.

The minutes were read and approved, and the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master.*

ATTEST:

W. L. McIVER, *Grand Secretary*



## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

March 19, 1947

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met in Special Communication in the Hall of Greenville Lodge No. 284, A. F. & A. M., in Greenville, North Carolina, on Wednesday evening, March 19, 1947, at 7:30 o'clock, pursuant to the call of Most Worshipful Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master, the following officers being present:

M.:W.:William J. Bundy†, C. L. (284)-----*GRAND MASTER*  
 R.:W.:Garrason A. Farrow, C. L. (568)---As *Deputy Grand Master*  
 R.:W.:William C. Francis, C. L. (7)---As *Senior Grand Warden*  
 M.:W.:J. Edward Allen\* (10)-----As *Junior Grand Warden*  
 R.:W.:James R. Tanner (284)-----As *Grand Treasurer*  
 R.:W.:Wilbur L. McIver† (151)-----*Grand Secretary*  
 Rev.:Robert S. Boyd (284)-----*Grand Chaplain*  
 W.:Wallace E. Caldwell† (408)-----*Senior Grand Deacon*  
 W.:James W. Brewer†, C. I. (284)-----As *Junior Grand Deacon*  
 W.:William H. White† (151)-----*Grand Marshal*  
 W.:J. Edward Rooker† (10)-----As *Grand Steward*  
 W.:Robert L. Pugh† (568)-----*Grand Steward*  
 W.:Harold G. Cuthrell (300)-----*Grand Orator*  
 W.:L. G. Jordan† (584)-----As *Grand Tiler*

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by M.:W.:Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master, the Grand Master announcing that the purpose of this Special Communication is to dedicate the new Lodge Hall of Greenville Lodge No. 284 at the request of that Lodge.

Following the ceremony in the old Lodge Hall, the procession was formed by W.:Brother William H. White, Grand Marshal, assisted by Brother W. Herman Hardee, Master of Ceremonies, and moved as a whole to the Hall to be dedicated.

The Grand Master announced to those present, and to the radio audience of Station WGTC, the occasion of the assemblage; that is, the dedication of the new Hall of Greenville Lodge No. 284.

The ceremony of dedication having been celebrated according to the ancient form, the benediction having been said by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Master pre-

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

sented W. Brother Harold G. Cuthrell, Grand Orator of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who delivered a most inspiring and instructive oration.

At the request of the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary read the following telegram from J. H. Blount, President of the Rotary Club of Greenville: "CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU IN THE COMPLETION OF YOUR SPLENDID NEW BUILDING. MASONRY HAS EVER BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT AND THIS PROGRESSIVE STEP WILL INSURE GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE FUTURE. BEST WISHES FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF GREENVILLE."

The Grand Master delivered to the Brethren messages of regret at their inability to be present from the following: Deputy Grand Master Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.; Senior Grand Warden Maxwell E. Hoffman, Junior Grand Warden Wilkins P. Horton, and Grand Treasurer Herbert C. Alexander, P. G. M.

The Grand Master recognized the following, each of them responding briefly: Wilbur L. McIver, Grand Secretary; Wallace E. Caldwell, Senior Grand Deacon; James W. Brewer, D. D. G. M.; Dr. Robert S. Boyd, Grand Chaplain; Rev. William C. Francis, Assistant Grand Chaplain; William H. White, Grand Marshal; J. Edward Rooker, D. D. G. M.; Robert L. Pugh, Grand Steward; J. Edward Allen, P. G. M.; L. G. Jordan, D. D. G. M.; H. A. Campen, D. D. G. M.; M. L. Baker, D. D. G. M.; James G. Houston, D. D. G. M.; George R. Bennette, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home; Linda F. Stokes, Master of Greenville Lodge No. 284; the Worthy Matron of the local Chapter of the O. E. S.; and the Brother who served so faithfully as Chairman of the Construction Committee.

The Grand Master recognized Lieutenant Jones of the State Highway Patrol, and mentioned that all of the State Highway Patrolmen who directed traffic in the vicinity of the Hall tonight are Masons. The Grand Master also recognized Brother Walter Herman Hardee, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, and Brother Jesse Laughinghouse.

In memory of his father, Benjamin W. Brown, Brother Jesse W. Brown presented a Holy Bible to Greenville Lodge No. 284 for use on its Altar.

The Grand Master presented a Commission as Representative of the Grand Lodge of New York near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina to W. Brother Wallace E. Caldwell, Brother Caldwell responding.

The Grand Master presented a Commission as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Michigan Near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina to W. Brother Robert L. Pugh, Brother Pugh responding.

The Grand Master, in behalf of Greenville Lodge No. 284, presented a Certificate of Honorary Membership in that Lodge, to R. W. Brother Wilbur L. McIver, the Grand Secretary expressing his gratitude to the Brethren of Greenville Lodge No. 284.

The Grand Master presented Class A (Certified Lecturer) Certificates to Brothers W. Herman Hardee and James Slade Willard; and a Class B (Certified Instructor) Certificate to Brother Willie F. Owen.

The ladies and others who were not Master Masons having retired, the Grand Master announced that, the purpose of this Special Communication having been accomplished, the Grand Lodge would be closed. The minutes were read and approved, and the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master.*

ATTEST:

W. L. MCIVER, *Grand Secretary.*

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

March 22nd, 1947

A Special Communication of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was held in the Hall of Grassy Knob Lodge No. 471, on Saturday evening, March 22, 1947, at 7:30 o'clock, with the following officers present:

M. W. William J. Bundy†, C. L. (284)	-----	GRAND MASTER
R. W. Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.† (32)	-----	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Garrason A. Farrow, C. L. (568)	As	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. James W. Brewer†, C. I. (284)	As	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Leon Godown†, (32)	-----	As Grand Treasurer
R. W. Wilbur L. McIver†, (151)	-----	Grand Secretary
Rev. R. C. Loyd† (571)	-----	As Grand Chaplain
W. R. E. Levan†, (27)	-----	As Grand Lecturer
W. Ned A. Hawks, C. L. (498)	-----	As Senior Grand Deacon
W. Herbert M. Foy† (322)	-----	Junior Grand Deacon
W. J. G. Miller†, C. L. (27)	-----	As Grand Marshal
W. Edwin T. Howard† (344)	-----	Grand Steward
W. J. H. Mullis, C. L. (299)	-----	As Grand Steward
W. J. Johnson Sanders† (45)	-----	As Grand Tiler

The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form by M. W. William J. Bundy, Grand Master, who announced that this Special Communication of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina was called for the purpose of dedicating the Lodge Hall of Grassy Knob Lodge No. 471.

The opening ceremony having been engaged in, the procession was formed and the whole moved to the Hall which was to be dedicated, and that Hall was duly dedicated in accordance with the ritual. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the Grand Master delivered a most inspiring and instructive address to the Brethren and their loved ones and friends who were present.

The Grand Master recognized the Master of Grassy Knob Lodge No. 471 who responded appropriately, telling something of the work in connection with the construction of this splendid Lodge Hall.

The Grand Master recognized W. Brother R. E. Levan, D. D. G. M., who congratulated the Lodge on its ac-

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

complishment and expressed his own personal pleasure on this occasion.

The Grand Master congratulated the Lodge and expressed the pleasure of The Grand Lodge in performing the requested dedication. The Grand Master presented the several Grand Lodge Officers, after which those who were not Master Masons retired.

The Grand Master having declared that the business for which this Special Communication was called had been accomplished, the minutes were read and approved, and The Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master.*

ATTEST:

W. L. McIVER, *Grand Secretary.*

## FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M., convened in its One Hundred and Sixtieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple in Raleigh, N. C., on Tuesday evening, April 15, 1947, at 7:30 o'clock, and was opened in AMPLE FORM by M. W. William J. Bundy, Grand Master, presiding, it appearing that a constitutional number of lodges were represented.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Brother Robert S. Boyd, Grand Chaplain.

## GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

M. W. William J. Bundy†, C. L. (284) — *GRAND MASTER*  
 R. W. Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.† (32) — *Deputy Grand Master*  
 R. W. Maxwell E. Hoffman† (118) — *Senior Grand Warden*  
 R. W. Wilkins P. Horton† (102) — *Junior Grand Warden*  
 M. W. Herbert C. Alexander\* (31) — *Grand Treasurer*  
 R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151) — *Grand Secretary*  
 Rev. Robert S. Boyd (284) — *Grand Chaplain*  
 W. Garrason A. Farrow†, C. L. (568) — *Grand Lecturer*  
 W. Wallace E. Caldwell† (408) — *Senior Grand Deacon*  
 W. Herbert M. Foy† (322) — *Junior Grand Deacon*  
 W. William H. White† (151) — *Grand Marshal*  
 W. Edwin T. Howard† (344) — *Grand Steward*  
 W. Robert L. Pugh† (568) — *Grand Steward*  
 W. Fred F. Harding† (500) — *Grand Tiler*  
 W. Harold G. Cuthrell (300) — *Grand Orator*  
 M. W. J. Edward Allen\* (10) — *Grand Historian*  
 W. Robert B. Spencer (40) — *Grand Auditor*  
 R. W. Wilbur L. McIver† (151) — *Grand Librarian*  
 Rev. W. C. Francis, C. L. (7) — *Assistant Grand Chaplain*

## PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

Dr. Hubert M. Poteat* (282)	J. Edward Allen* (10)
E. W. Timberlake* (282)	Thomas J. Harkins* (118)
J. Wallace Winborne* (237)	Dr. Chas. P. Eldridge* (218)
Herbert C. Alexander* (31)	James E. Shipman* (387)
Charles B. Newcomb* (1)	Julius C. Hobbs* (1)
Watson N. Sherrod* (447)	Clyde H. Jarrett* (529)

## PAST GRAND SECRETARY PRESENT

Charles B. Newcomb\* (1)

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master

# GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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## BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES PRESENT

M. W. Watson N. Sherrod*	(447)	-----	1947
M. W. Thomas J. Harkins*	(118)	-----	1948
M. W. J. W. Winborne*	(237)	-----	1949 <i>Chairman</i>
M. W. Hubert M. Poteat*	(282)	-----	1951

## BOARD OF CUSTODIANS PRESENT

M. W. William J. Bundy†	C. L. (284)	-----	<i>Grand Master</i>
W. G. A. Farrow†	C. L. (568)	-----	<i>Grand Lecturer</i>
M. W. James E. Shipman*	(387)	-----	1947 <i>Chairman</i>
M. W. Charles B. Newcomb*	(1)	-----	1948 <i>Secretary</i>
W. C. E. Harrington†	C. L. (500)	-----	1949

## ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURER PRESENT

W. Percy C. Stott†, C. L. (565)

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

2 Windsor	H. A. Campen†	C.I. ( 7)	Edenton
3 Plymouth	Ray E. Phillips†	C.L. (675)	Washington
4 Halifax	H. Will Nelson†	(519)	Roanoke Rapids
5 Greenville	Jas. W. Brewer†	C.I. (284)	Greenville
6 Kinston	Claude S. Hinnant†	(340)	Pikeville
7 New Bern	Harvey W. Smith†	(109)	Beaufort
12 Rockingham	W. Leo Allen	(495)	Rockingham
13 Sanford	Holmes M. Wagoner†	(151)	Sanford
14 Fayetteville	Thos. G. Slate†	C.I. ( 8)	Fayetteville
15 Raleigh	C. B. Shulenberger†	(500)	Raleigh
16 Apex	L. G. Jordan†	C.L. (584)	Apex
18 Rocky Mount	M. L. Baker†	(602)	Rocky Mount
19 Henderson	J. Edward Rooker†	( 10)	Warrenton
20 Oxford	E. T. Regan†	C.I. (122)	Oxford
21 Durham	J. M. Mangum†	C.I. (210)	Durham
23 Greensboro	John E. Oakes†	C.L. (552)	Greensboro
26 Monroe	Chas. D. Roberts†	(244)	Monroe
27 Charlotte	M. C. Alexandre†	(530)	Charlotte
28 Gastonia	Dr. Chas. H. Pugh†	(369)	Gastonia
29 Statesville	R. E. Levan†	( 27)	Statesville
30 Winston-Salem	Thomas L. Harding	(162)	Yadkinville
31 Elkin	A. B. Macon†	(322)	Mount Airy
33 Wilkesboro	J. W. Nichols†	(407)	Wilkesboro, Rfd.
34 Jefferson	Edward J. Pugh†	(423)	Laurel Springs
37 Shelby	H. C. Wilson†	(202)	Shelby
38 Hendersonville	A. J. Creasman†	(446)	Asheville
41 Waynesville	R. M. Crawford†	(453)	Clyde
42 Sylva	C. Gordan Moore†	(145)	Franklin
44 Rutherfordton	S. L. Powers†	C.L. ( 91)	Rutherfordton

† Past Master

\* Past Grand Master



## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES PRESENT

ALABAMA	D. E. Bulluck
COLORADO	W. N. Sherrod
DELAWARE	A. B. Goetze
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	E. W. Timberlake
FLORIDA	W. L. McIver
IDAHO	H. W. Pickett
INDIANA	Sam D. Bundy
KENTUCKY	R. E. Levan
LOUISIANA	J. W. Winborne
MAINE	F. F. Harding
MARYLAND	Harry W. Walker
MASSACHUSETTS	L. T. Hartsell, Jr.
MICHIGAN	Robert L. Pugh
MISSOURI	Lambert R. Morris
MONTANA	C. H. Pugh
NEVADA	J. E. Shipman
NEW YORK	Wallace E. Caldwell
NORTH DAKOTA	K. W. Parham
RHODE ISLAND	Holmes M. Wagoner
SOUTH CAROLINA	John B. Regan
TENNESSEE	Herbert C. Alexander
TEXAS	J. T. Bundy
UTAH	W. J. Bundy
VERMONT	C. T. McClenaghan
VIRGINIA	Thos. J. Harkins
WASHINGTON	H. W. Prince
WEST VIRGINIA	F. M. Pinnix
WISCONSIN	H. G. Etheridge

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN GRAND LODGES PRESENT

ALPINA, SWITZERLAND	H. M. Foy
ARGENTINE REPUBLIC	F. C. Kinzie
BOLIVIA	H. McN. Johnson
AMAZONAS E ACRE, BRAZIL	Leon Godown
CEARA, BRAZIL	J. E. Rooker
MINAS GEREAS, BRAZIL	C. H. Jarrett
PARA, BRAZIL	M. F. McKeel
PARAHYBA, BRAZIL	Dr. Verne S. Caviness
RIO de JANEIRO, BRAZIL	R. E. Yongue, Jr.
CANADA	H. M. Poteat
CHILI	L. L. Thomas
COLOMBIA, CARTEGENA	E. T. Howard
CZECHO-SLOVAKIA	J. Howard Brown
COSTA RICA	E. P. Martin
CUSCATLAN OF SALVADOR	J. Ray Shute II
ECUADOR	Roscoe M. Wynn
ENGLAND	J. Edward Allen



FINLAND.....	H. G. Etheridge
GREECE.....	J. C. Hobbs
IRELAND.....	Guy L. Houk
MANITOBA.....	Willie F. Owens
NUEVO LEON.....	L. G. Jordan
EL POTOSI, SAN LUIS.....	Chas. M. Walker
OCCIDENTAL MEXICANO.....	Chas. A. Harris
YORK G. L.....	J. T. Ingram
NATIONAL OF DENMARK.....	L. H. Gillikin
NICARAGUA.....	Burt S. Eldridge, Sr.
NEW SOUTH WALES.....	J. W. Nichols
NEW ZEALAND.....	G. A. Farrow
PANAMA.....	J. Edward Allen
PORTO RICO.....	C. M. Gueth
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.....	A. S. Chesson
QUEBEC.....	Roy A. Harmon
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.....	C. B. Newcomb
SWEDEN.....	C. P. Eldridge
TASMANIA.....	W. H. White
URUGUAY.....	Murray C. Alexandre
VICTORIA.....	H. Kauffman
MAS. FED. ROUMANIA.....	F. I. Watson

• DISTINGUISHED BRETHREN

We were pleased to have with us the following distinguished brethren, who were received with Grand Honors and conducted by the Grand Marshal to seats in the Grand East, all of them being graciously welcomed by the Grand Master:

M. . W. . Brothers Poteat, Timberlake, Winborne, Alexander, Newcomb, Sherrod, Allen, Harkins, Eldridge, Shipman, Hobbs, and Jarrett, all of them Past Grand Masters of Masons in North Carolina.

W. . Brother John R. McCracken, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of North Carolina.

W. . Brother Kennon W. Parham, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina; and W. . Brother Millard F. McKeel, Grand Secretary-Recorder of the Grand York Rite Bodies of North Carolina.

M. . W. . Brother Thomas J. Harkins, Grand Prior of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the

United States of America, and Sovereign Grand Inspector General in North Carolina.

M.·W.·Brother Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, and Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

M.·W.·Brother A. J. M. Wannamaker, Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina.

### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Master recognized those Brethren present who represent other Grand Lodges Near The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, welcomed them, and requested that they convey to the several Grand Jurisdictions which they represent the fraternal greetings of this Grand Lodge.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The Grand Master requested that the District Deputies stand, and he addressed them as follows: "The Grand Lodge of North Carolina is very much and deeply indebted to you for the service you have rendered during this year as District Deputy Grand Masters, and I want you to know that the Grand Master personally appreciates it, and that your brethren in this grand jurisdiction do. You are the lieutenants in the field, you are the ones who get among the boys and who know what is going on, and cause it to go on. Without you, I do not know what we would do, or how effectively we would carry on our work. To you goes the appreciation of the Craft. Give them a hand, Brethren!"

W.·Brothers John E. Oakes, D. D. G. M., and Charles H. Pugh, President of the District Deputy Grand Masters' Association, both responded appropriately.

### PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.·W.·Brother Thomas J. Harkins was recognized by the Grand Master, and responded as follows for the Past Grand Masters: "Most Worshipful Grand Master,

the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina express their appreciation of your recognition of their position, and regard it as a compliment to be introduced before the Grand Lodge at this Communication.

"It is a matter very well known among the Craft that the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina do not regard their work as finished when their term of office has expired. The Past Grand Masters of North Carolina appreciate that there is a responsibility on their shoulders to assist in any manner in which they can, to the extent of their capacity and their ability to carry on and promote the interests of Masonry, to protect the democracy of the Grand Lodge, and to keep Masonry in a position of influence and power in our Great State."

#### JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT

THE GRAND MASTER: "At this time, I desire to recognize our distinguished visitors who are members of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, and I request Justice and Brother Emery B. Denny to respond and introduce his associates."

BROTHER EMERY B. DENNY: "I am delighted to present the members of the Court, Justices Michael Schenck, William A. Devin, A. A. F. Seawell, M. V. Barnhill, and J. Wallace Winborne. We are happy to be here."

#### RE: GREETINGS TO ABSENT BRETHREN

M. W. BROTHER HUBERT M. POTEAT: "Most Worshipful Grand Master, there are several of our Past Grand Masters who are unable to be present this evening, some of whom are incapacitated, and I move, "That the Grand Secretary be instructed to send a message expressing our love and affection to the Past Grand Masters who are unable to be with us, and also to Brother John F. Marquette." The motion was duly seconded and unanimously adopted, and the telegrams were sent.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

## REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES PRESENT

1 St. John's (10)	Wilmington	J. K. Davis, M.; Nathan W. Humphrey, S. W.; G. Dudley Humphrey, J. W.
3 St. John's (7)	New Bern	Romey R. White, M.; James A. Gaskins, S. W.; Alfred A. Kafer, Jr., Proxy for J. W.
5 Charity (2)	Windsor	A. J. Yates, M.; W. H. Bond, S. W.; B. E. Grant, Proxy for J. W.
7 Unanimity (2)	Edenton	C. T. Griffin, Proxy for M.; Rev. W. C. Francis, S. W.; Richard P. Baer, II, J. W.
8 Phoenix (14)	Fayetteville	T. G. Slate, Proxy for M.; C. Wallace Jackson, Proxy for S. W.; W. L. Ramsey, J. W.
10 John.-Caswell (19)	Warrenton	Joseph N. Ellis, M.; J. Edward Allen, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
11 Caswell-Br'th'ood (21)	Yanceyville	D. J. Merritt, M.; T. P. Miles, S. W.; C. P. Rice, J. W.
13 St. John's (9)	Kenansville	C. P. Newton, M.; Paul Ingram, S. W.; Lloyd Vernon, J. W.
19 Eagle (21)	Hillsboro	Charles B. Parris, M.; John P. Ballard, S. W.; Alton R. Williams, J. W.
27 Statesville (29)	Statesville	A. H. Peoples, M.; Ben L. Watts, Proxy for S. W.; J. C. Brown, Jr., J. W.
31 Phalanx (27)	Charlotte	Charles Bundy, Proxy for M.; W. E. Burris, Proxy for S. W.; Fred Hasty, Proxy for J. W.
32 Stokes (25)	Concord	Gilbert H. Hendrix, Proxy for M.; C. T. Lyerly, S. W.; Leon Godwn, Proxy for J. W.
40 Hiram (15)	Raleigh	Bert W. Kenyon, Jr., M.; W. Ralph Butts, S. W.; H. A. McAllister, Sr., J. W.
45 Liberty (33)	Wilkesboro	J. Johnson Sanders, M.; A. A. Sturdivant, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
53 Hall (1)	Indiantown	W. H. Burgess, Proxy for M.
56 King Solomon (4)	Jackson	Ballard S. Gay, M.
58 Concord (18)	Tarboro	M. A. Moore, M.; H. Bruce Russell, S. W.; R. L. Dunn, J. W.
75 Widow's Son (1)	Camden	C. H. Parker, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
76 Greensboro (23)	Greensboro	Chas. M. Downs, M.; Robert D. Boyd, S. W.; Robert L. Hooper, J. W.
85 Morning Star (18)	Nashville	E. L. Matthews, M.; J. G. Vick, S. W.; J. K. Bridgers, Proxy for J. W.
90 Skewarkee (2)	Williamston	G. H. Harrison, Jr., M.; H. E. Griffin, S. W.; R. L. Ward, J. W.
91 Western Star (44)	Rutherfordton	William J. Stallings, M., Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
92 Joseph Warren (17)	Stantonsburg	M. A. Tyson, Sr., Proxy for M.; L. A. Gardner, Proxy for S. W.; E. Sharpe Newton, J. W.
97 Millbrook (15)	Millbrook	J. B. Green, Proxy for M.; W. F. Hendricks, Proxy for S. W.; J. S. Mann, J. W.
98 Hiram (9)	Clinton	N. P. Parker, Proxy for M.; R. D. Moore, S. W.; P. H. Odom, Jr., J. W.
99 Fulton (25)	Salisbury	E. M. Kendrick, M.; A. E. Chambers, S. W.; Thomas O. Kepley, Proxy for J. W.
104 Orr (3)	Washington	Guy T. Swindell, M.; Milton S. Brown, S. W.; Britton F. Scott, J. W.
106 Perquimans (1)	Hertford	Ralph C. Murray, Proxy for M.
109 Franklin (7)	Beaufort	J. Elbert Dudley, M.; Dr. W. L. Woodard, Proxy for S. W.; Earl M. Noe, Proxy for J. W.
112 Wayne (6)	Goldsboro	Leon B. Jackson, M.; Lester H. Gillikin, Proxy for S. W.; and J. W.
113 Person (20)	Roxboro	Arthur H. Rimmer, M.; Oscar C. Hull, S. W.; C. G. McCarver, J. W.
114 St. Alban's (11)	Lumberton	H. M. McBryde, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.

115 Holly Springs (16)-----	Holly Springs-----	Ralph C. Stephens, Proxy for M.; R. L. Shirlen, Proxy for S. W.; Harold L. Brewer, J. W.
117 Mt. Lebanon (17)-----	Wilson-----	R. E. Wood, Proxy for M.; H. E. Benton, S. W.; M. D. Willoughby, J. W.
118 Mt. Hermon (39)-----	Asheville-----	C. O. Deas, M.
122 Oxford (20)-----	Oxford-----	A. Sidney Harris, M.; Claude V. Morgan, S. W.; T. G. Powell, Proxy for J. W.
123 Franklinton (19)-----	Franklinton-----	John J. Collins, M.; Jno. G. Sawyer, Proxy for S. W.; H. S. Pearce, Proxy for J. W.
125 Mill Creek (9)-----	Newton Grove-----	D. H. Jernigan, M.; George S. Strickland, S. W.; Gilbert G. Adams, J. W.
126 Gatesville (1)-----	Gatesville-----	P. L. Hofler, Proxy for M.; J. W. Parker, S. W.; A. P. Godwin, Proxy for J. W.
127 Blackmer (24)-----	Mt. Gilead-----	Max R. Harris, M.; and Proxy for J. W.; W. M. McNeill, Proxy for S. W.
134 Mocksville (30)-----	Mocksville-----	H. C. Sprinkle, Proxy for M.; W. J. B. Sell, S. W.; C. Atlas Smoot, J. W.
137 Lincoln (28)-----	Lincolnton-----	M. H. Kuhn, M.; Ray Small, Proxy for J. W.
138 King Solomon (10)-----	Burgaw-----	J. R. Lewis, M.; V. G. Croom, Proxy for S. W.
145 Junaluskee (42)-----	Franklin-----	G. L. Houk, M.; and Proxy for S. W.; C. G. Moore, Proxy for J. W.
146 Cherokee (43)-----	Murphy-----	James H. Duncan, M.; Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
147 Palmyra (14)-----	Dunn-----	Willie Moff, M.; Chas. R. Storey, Proxy for S. W.
151 Sanford (13)-----	Sanford-----	G. W. Anderson, Jr., M.; William D. Gregson, S. W.; Lewie G. Avery, J. W.
154 Scotch-Ireland (25)-----	Cleveland-----	Walter R. Byford, M.; D. F. Owens, S. W.; William E. Ellis, J. W.
155 White Stone (15)-----	Wakefield-----	W. G. Broughton, Proxy for M.; H. H. Eddins, Proxy for S. W.; R. Burton Edding, J. W.
162 Yadkin (30)-----	Yadkinville-----	Thos. L. Harding, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
165 Archer (15)-----	Clayton, RFD-----	E. W. Narron, Proxy for M.; Otis C. Freeman, S. W.; J. S. Ward, J. W.
167 Winston (30)-----	Winston-Salem-----	Charles C. Cash, M.; F. E. Montgomery, Proxy for S. W.; Kyle C. Suit, J. W.
171 Colerain (2)-----	Colerain-----	Britton Harrell, Proxy for S. W.
188 Balfour (24)-----	Asheboro-----	A. F. Caviness, Proxy for M.; Vance Welborn, S. W.; Elvin Shaw, Proxy for J. W.
198 Cary (16)-----	Cary-----	W. A. Tyson, Proxy for M.; T. C. King, S. W.; J. M. Adams, Proxy for J. W.
202 Cleveland (37)-----	Shelby-----	James E. Lutz, M.; Roscoe E. Lutz, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
206 Mingo (9)-----	Dunn, RFD-----	Warren Jackson, Proxy for M.; T. H. Hinson, S. W.
207 Lebanon (10)-----	Whiteville-----	Homer G. Avant, Proxy for M.; W. H. Stephens, S. W.; Sigmond Butler, Proxy for J. W.
208 Mt. Olive (6)-----	Mt. Olive-----	H. C. McPhail, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
210 Eno (21)-----	Durham-----	Henry Pickett, Proxy for M.; J. A. Morgan, S. W.; J. C. Jester, J. W.
217 Catawba Valley (36)-----	Morganton-----	J. Ernest Erwin, Proxy for M.; Hugh C. Hutchins, J. W.
218 Wm. G. Hill (16)-----	Raleigh-----	Shepherd D. Storey, M.; Jack C. Kirby, S. W.; Reed T. Goe, J. W.
229 Henderson (19)-----	Henderson-----	H. R. Mangum, Proxy for M.; C. L. Mackey, Proxy for S. W.; N. P. Strause, J. W.
230 Corinthian (18)-----	Rocky Mount-----	Hiram A. Stotesbury, M.; G. C. Drummond, Proxy for J. W.

231 Wm. T. Bain (16)	McCullers	T. G. Ogburn, M.; Glenn Ogburn, S. W.; Worth B. Rowland, J. W.
233 Lenoir (6)	La Grange	Taplie N. Colle, S. W.
237 Mystic Tie (44)	Marion	John T. Jolley, M.; Paul J. Story, J. W.
240 Wiccacon (2)	Harrellsville	T. J. Fulk, Proxy for M.
243 Grifton (5)	Grifton	J. W. Gilbert, Proxy for M. and S. W.; N. H. Lockhart, Proxy for J. W.
244 Monroe (26)	Monroe	C. D. Roberts, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
248 Catawba (36)	Newton	C. B. Williams, Proxy for M.; J. W. Black- well, Proxy for S. W.; C. A. Dabbs, Proxy for J. W.
253 Lee (29)	Taylorsville	Waverly M. Moose, Proxy for M. and S. W.
259 Waynesville (41)	Waynesville	Robert C. McBride, M.; Dr. J. R. Mc- Cracken, Proxy for S. W.; Edgar A. William- son, J. W.
261 Excelsior (27)	Charlotte	J. G. Johnston, M.; B. W. Barnett, Proxy for S. W.; J. B. Fleming, Proxy for J. W.
262 Hibriten (36)	Lenoir	A. J. Noles, M.
263 Gaston (28)	Dallas	James L. Durham, Proxy for M.; Henry G. Eidson, S. W.; B. W. Harris, Proxy for J. W.
267 Dunn's Rock (38)	Brevard	K. L. Barkley, Proxy for M.; W. P. Kimsey, Proxy for S. W.; and J. W.
271 Tobasco (23)	Gibsonville	N. N. Brown, M.; E. R. Gerringer, Proxy for S. W.
272 Bingham (21)	Mebane	Dewey McAdams, M.; D. H. Patton, Proxy for S. W.
276 Beaver Dam (26)	Marshville	J. A. Russell, Proxy for M., and J. W.; P. E. Green, Proxy for S. W.
277 Green Level (16)	Apex, RFD 3	J. Roy Yates, M.; L. L. Jacobs, Proxy for S. W.; B. C. Ferrell, Proxy for J. W.
279 Rehoboth (9)	Rosehill	W. Homer Taylor, M.; James A. Ward, S. W.; Eschley L. Lanier, J. W.
282 Wake Forest (15)	Wake Forest	Samuel Sidenberg, M.; William L. Glover, S. W.; Henry L. Miller, J. W.
283 Eureka (25)	China Grove	Fred Long, Proxy for M., and J. W.; John Deese, Proxy for S. W.
284 Greenville (5)	Greenville	Linda F. Stokes, M.; W. F. Owens, Proxy for S. W.; C. H. Barnhill, J. W.
289 Salem (30)	Winston-Salem	R. E. Denny, M.; Sam E. Kinnamon, S. W.; Sam H. Strader, J. W.
300 Aurora (3)	Aurora	E. H. Bennett, M.; J. L. Godley, Proxy for S. W.; C. T. Allen, Sr., Proxy for J. W.
302 Lillington (14)	Lillington	C. G. Collins, M.; John F. Cannon, Proxy for S. W.; M. B. Stewart, J. W.
304 Pleasant Hill (6)	Pink Hill	Dr. H. A. Edwards, M.; L. F. Jones, S. W.; Stanley Coombs, J. W.
306 Raeford (12)	Raeford	E. E. Smith, Proxy for M.; C. P. Kinlaw, S. W.; B. B. Cole, J. W.
317 Eureka (1)	Elizabeth City	Paul A. Penny, M.; Macon L. Nixon, S. W.; Charles L. Miller, J. W.
319 Wilmington (10)	Wilmington	William H. Collins, M.; Harry J. Bowden, S. W.; Haywood S. King, Proxy for J. W.
320 Selma (17)	Selma	W. T. Woodard, Jr., M.; A. K. Eason, S. W.; R. B. Smith, J. W.
322 Granite (31)	Mount Airy	James B. Combs, M.; Howard P. Mills, Proxy for S. W.; S. A. Hennis, Jr., Proxy for J. W.
339 Fairview (37)	Kings Mountain	J. C. Keller, Proxy for M. and J. W.; B. M. Ormand, Proxy for S. W.
340 Harmony (6)	Pikeville	Claxton U. Sasser, M.; John Ed. Edmond- son, S. W.
343 Hickory (36)	Hickory	L. D. Mitchell, M.; E. D. Cline, Proxy for J. W.
344 Numa F. Reid (23)	High Point	L. F. Honeycutt, M.; A. Coke Cecil, S. W.; J. Paul Williamson, Proxy for J. W.



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348 Stanly (25)	Albemarle	Jim R. Austin, M.; Dwight Stokes, Proxy for S. W.; John M. Ross, J. W.
352 Durham (21)	Durham	D. W. Griffin, M.; A. B. Elkins, J. W.
356 Fallston (37)	Fallston	M. L. Smith, Proxy for M.; W. H. Lutz, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
358 East LaPorte (42)	East LaPorte	Joseph D. Wallin, S. W.
363 Snow (40)	Boone	J. T. C. Wright, Proxy for M.
369 Gastonia (28)	Gastonia	Frank C. Tucker, M.; W. F. Abernethy, S. W.; D. C. McSwain, Proxy for J. W.
373 Ashler (33)	Deep Gap	H. S. Steelman, Proxy for M.; A. F. Nichols, Jr., Proxy for S. W.; Hayes Wellborn, J. W.
374 Campbell (29)	Troutman	C. L. Malbeuf, M.; and Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
375 State Line (37)	Grover	Alfred F. Collins, M.; B. F. Bird, Proxy for J. W.
379 Coharie (9)	Salemburg	J. R. Royal, M.; M. T. Newman, S. W.; S. F. Goodwin, J. W.
381 Forest City (44)	Forest City	J. E. Caldwell, Proxy for M.; T. O. Vernon, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
384 Reidsville (23)	Reidsville	G. G. Rice, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
386 Pigeon River (41)	Canton	Harold C. Moffitt, Proxy for M. and S. W.; Ned M. Clontz, J. W.
388 Mooresboro (37)	Mooresboro	Thomas C. Holland, M.; John J. Crowder, S. W.; D. C. Wright, Proxy for J. W.
390 Copeland (31)	Copeland	W. H. Hardy, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
395 Orient (10)	Wilmington	C. W. Henderson, M.; Glenn G. Thomas, Proxy for S. W.; Robert S. Hall, J. W.
403 Siler City (13)	Siler City	Walter R. Brewer, M.; J. Glen Morris, S. W.; Herbert Grimes, Proxy for J. W.
405 Ocean (7)	Morehead City	J. E. English, Proxy for M.; and S. W.
407 N. Wilkesboro (33)	N. Wilkesboro	Maurice E. Walsh, M.; Quincy B. Huffman, S. W.; Tam L. Shumaker, J. W.
408 University (21)	Chapel Hill	Henry I. West M.; J. H. Hinson, S. W.; L. B. Collins, J. W.
409 Bula (21)	Burlington	Robert D. Anthony, M.; N. Smith Owens, S. W.; Franklin Overman, Proxy for J. W.
411 Bailey (17)	Bailey	I. T. Poole, M.; J. M. Brock, S. W.; J. H. Liles, Proxy for J. W.
412 Hen. F. Grainger (20)	Oxford RT 3	Otis L. Harrison, M.
413 Louisburg (19)	Louisburg	James Speed, M.; H. F. Marshall, J. W.
418 Potecasi (4)	Potecasi	G. W. Parker, M.; C. A. Panton, S. W.
423 Sparta (34)	Sparta	Clifton Evans, M.; F. W. Royal, Proxy for S. W.
428 Stokesdale (23)	Stokesdale	P. P. Simpson, M.; Oren L. Preston, Proxy for S. W.; A. M. Bailey, J. W.
429 Seaside (10)	Swansboro	Marvin Ransom, M.; Noland R. Mattocks, Proxy for S. W.; William B. Reid, J. W.
431 Relief (14)	Benson	James H. Rose, M.; W. F. Barber, Proxy for S. W.; Charles T. Turlington, Proxy for J. W.
434 West Bend (30)	Lewisville	P. M. Jennings, M.; P. E. Pfaff, Proxy for S. W.
437 Biscoe (24)	Biscoe	N. W. Freeman, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
444 Marietta (24)	Ramseur	W. R. Maner, Proxy for M.; W. E. Marley, S. W.; C. R. Hodgin, J. W.
446 Biltmore (38)	Asheville	R. M. Rice, M.; Jerome Silverman, S. W.; Joe L. Tandy, Proxy for J. W.
447 Enfield (4)	Enfield	John W. McGwigan, M.; R. A. Gossett, S. W.
453 Clyde (41)	Clyde	Ralph M. Crawford, Proxy for M., S. W. and J. W.
454 Elkin (31)	Elkin	Graham C. Greene, M.; Fred O. Eidson, Proxy for S. W.; Loman C. Richardson, J. W.



## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

459 Dillsboro (42)	Dillsboro	M. Y. Jarrett, Proxy for M.; R. F. Jarrett, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
460 Cliffside (44)	Cliffside	L. L. Wallace, Proxy for M.; J. P. Hill, Jr., J. W.
462 South Fork (28)	Cramerton	W. Reid Howe, M.; Proxy for J. W.; August A. Fisher, Proxy for S. W.
471 Grassy Knob (29)	Union Grove	C. L. Comer, Proxy for M.; R. J. Calloway, J. W., and Proxy for S. W.
472 Sonoma (41)	Canton, Rt. 2	J. E. Justice, Proxy for M.; S. W. and G. E. Stamey, Proxy for J. W.
473 Lexington (23)	Lexington	Eric E. Morgan, M.; Nyal A. Yarborough, S. W.; Milton V. Boyd, J. W.
484 Southern Pines (12)	Southern Pines	James Winfred Causey, M.; Joe C. Thomas, S. W.; Stanly C. Tobin, Proxy for J. W.
488 Rich Square (4)	Rich Square	J. Buxton Weaver, M.; K. B. Skull, Proxy for S. W.; Charles J. Dunning, J. W.
489 Linville (40)	Newland	Carl C. Scott, Proxy for M.; W. W. Braswell, Proxy for S. W.
491 Hominy (39)	Candler	Frank G. Cabe, M.
492 Thos. M. Holt (21)	Graham	Layton H. Gunter, M.; James S. Cook, Proxy for S. W.; Thaddeus Hruslinski, J. W.
493 Pilot (31)	Pilot Mountain	R. C. Boaz, M.
495 Rockingham (12)	Rockingham	W. L. Allen, Proxy for M.; and J. W.
496 Mooreville (29)	Mooreville	W. W. Howell, Proxy for M.; C. P. Alexander, Proxy for S. W.
497 Royal Hart (4)	Littleton	A. G. Willcox, M.; D. W. King, S. W., F. H. Eason, Proxy for J. W.
499 Creedmoor (20)	Creedmoor	Leon B. Perkinson, M.; Pervis C. Bullock, S. W.; Ben Warren Aiken, J. W.
500 Raleigh (15)	Raleigh	LeRoy A. Lanier, M.; J. Richard Sexton, S. W.; J. Hardy Lanier, J. W.
501 Red Springs (11)	Red Springs	Sanford C. Love, M.; Charles M. Draughn, Proxy for S. W.; Carl McIlwain, J. W.
517 Farmville (5)	Farmville	James T. Bundy, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
519 Widow's Son (4)	Roanoke Rapids	James B. Hutchinson, M.; Ralph H. Higgins, S. W.; Charles T. Smith, J. W.
524 Pendleton (4)	Pendleton	J. F. Martin, Proxy for M.; P. C. Martin, Proxy for S. W.; John D. Martin, Proxy for J. W.
525 Rodgers (17)	Middlesex	John D. Daniel, M.
529 Andrews (43)	Andrews	Dillie B. Lunsford, M.; Olen Stratton, S. W., and Proxy for J. W.
530 Joppa (27)	Charlotte	W. P. Pike, M.; F. H. Trull, S. W.; N. S. Fisher, Proxy for J. W.
532 Hamlet (12)	Hamlet	C. L. Odom, M.; N. M. Gibson, S. W.; J. R. Hawley, Proxy for J. W.
534 Camp Call (37)	Shelby, Rt. 5	G. W. Lee, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
535 Hollis (44)	Hollis	Clay Blanton, M.; Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
542 Corinthian (23)	Greensboro	B. S. Eldridge, Sr., Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
543 Spencer (25)	Spencer	Tate Baggett, M.; H. J. Kester, Proxy for J. W.
550 Roman Eagle (12)	Aberdeen	James Earl Parker, M.; J. G. Farrell, Proxy for S. W. and J. W.
552 Revolution (23)	Greensboro	Edward M. Westbrooks, M.; and Proxy for S. W.; William W. White, J. W.
556 Neil S. Stewart (14)	Erwin	J. F. Lynch, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
558 Ararat (31)	Ararat	E. M. Bryant, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
564 Richlands (7)	Richlands	I. J. Graves, S. W. and Proxy for M. and J. W.
565 Wendell (15)	Wendell	L. R. Clark, M.; Ralph P. Baugh, J. W.
568 Doric (7)	New Bern	J. B. Holton, Proxy for M.; R. E. Smith, Proxy for S. W.; C. C. Riggsbee, J. W.

571 Snow Creek (29)-----	Statesville, Rt. 5.	T. Ward Guy, Proxy for M.; D. N. McLelland, Proxy for S. W.; R. P. Wooten, Proxy for J. W.
573 Mt. Pleasant (33)-----	Champion-----	LaFayette Matherly, Proxy for M. and J. W.; J. G. Shepherd, Proxy for S. W.
576 Andrew Jackson (25)-----	Salisbury-----	W. G. Houck, Proxy for M.; Frank W. Kirk, Proxy for S. W.; A. N. Cheney, J. W.
578 Meadow Branch (26)-----	Wingate-----	Joe G. Chaney, M.; Wade Flowers, S. W.
584 Apex (16)-----	Apex-----	A. E. Leavitt, M.; Geo. Rogers, Proxy for S. W.; A. C. Reynolds, J. W.
585 Roseboro (9)-----	Roseboro-----	T. D. Cain, M.; R. Paul Blevins, Proxy for S. W.; Jesse E. Wilson, Proxy for J. W.
589 Bethel (5)-----	Bethel-----	J. L. Brown, S. W. and Proxy for M.
590 Lowell (28)-----	Lowell-----	George Waldrop, M.; T. H. Lemons, S. W.; Leonard R. Warren, J. W.
602 Queen City (18)-----	Rocky Mount-----	Thomas R. Easterling, M.
609 Zebulon (15)-----	Zebulon-----	W. L. Simpson, M.; R. G. Moss, Proxy for S. W.; C. L. Dunn, J. W.
616 Round Peak (31)-----	Mount Airy-----	J. L. Lowe, Proxy for M.; R. J. Jefferson, Proxy for S. W.
617 St. Patrick's (6)-----	Princeton-----	Oscar L. Boyette, M.; Elton E. Wiggs, S. W.
630 Fran. S. Packard (19)-----	Norlina-----	Thomas P. Perkinson, M.; Junious R. B. Overby, J. W.
634 Goldsboro (6)-----	Goldsboro-----	W. E. Thornton, M.; H. H. Alexander, S. W.
637 Yadkin Falls (25)-----	Badin-----	A. D. Ferree, Proxy for M.; Rev. L. D. Munn, S. W.; W. S. Feezor, Proxy for J. W.
643 Proctorville (11)-----	Proctorville-----	H. H. Atkinson, Proxy for M.; L. T. Stone, Proxy for S. W.; Eldon Atkinson, Proxy for J. W.
654 Elberta (12)-----	West End -----	B. A. Cox, M.; William E. Jackson, J. W.
657 Keller Memorial (25)-----	Rockwell-----	C. L. Rhinehardt, M.
665 West Asheville (39)-----	Asheville-----	S. O. Taylor, M.; and Proxy for J. W.; C. W. Penland, S. W.
666 N.C. Lod. of Res. (26)-----	Monroe-----	Royal C. Stephenson, M.; D. Ernest Bullock, S. W.; E. Boyd Grady, J. W.
667 Ft. Bragg (14)-----	Ft. Bragg-----	Kirk Flannigan, M.; Emmerson Franklin, Proxy for S. W.; John M. McMahan, Proxy for J. W.
668 Holland Memo. (28)-----	Gastonia-----	Wm. E. Jordan, M.; Fred M. Byrd, Proxy for S. W.; Horace Murphy, Proxy for J. W.
669 Kernersville (30)-----	Kernersville-----	Conrad W. Crutchfield, M.; Herman E. Crawford, S. W.; H. C. Porter, J. W.
670 Lovelady (36)-----	Valdese-----	Peter A. Meytre, M.; Henry J. Pascal, S. W.; H. C. Goode, Proxy for J. W.
672 Robbinsville (43)-----	Robbinsville-----	C. A. Bales, Proxy for M.; S. W. and J. W.
673 Spindale (44)-----	Spindale-----	Earl Yelton, M.; J. H. Cooper, J. W.
674 Acacia (23)-----	High Point-----	Joe H. Smith, M.; Mason E. Brown, Proxy for S. W.; Glenn Steele, J. W.
675 Washington (3)-----	Washington-----	Paul R. Waters, M.; Ray E. Phillips, Proxy for S. W.; Joe R. Abeyounis, J. W.
676 Temple (27)-----	Charlotte-----	Graham P. Kerr, S. W., Proxy for M.; Herb H. Gettle, J. W.
677 Warsaw (9)-----	Warsaw-----	Quincy J. Sutton, Sr., M.; James F. Strickland, S. W.; William H. Hitchcock, J. W.
678 Providence (3)-----	Columbia-----	John William Melson, M.; Lloyd B. Davenport, S. W.; Maurice G. Pritchett, Proxy for J. W.
679 Creasy Proctor (14)-----	Fayetteville-----	D. D. Shuford, Proxy for M.; G. M. Honeycutt, S. W.; L. J. Gardner, J. W.
680 Semper Fideis (10)-----	Midway Park-----	George C. Faville, Jr., M.
681 Piedmont (23)-----	High Point-----	Hugh C. Bennett, M.; Glenn G. Perry, S. W.; Woodroe F. Haywood, J. W.

## GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

(Docket No. 1)

The Grand Master delivered the following address, which was referred to the Board of General Purposes. (See page 83, 84 of these Proceedings for the distribution of the address) :

BRETHREN :

We are convened in the One Hundred Sixtieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. As I come, at the end of my year as Grand Master, to give you a report, I am reminded of the words in the second verse of the sixteenth chapter of Luke: "Give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest no longer be steward."

Permit me again to express my deep and sincere appreciation for the high honor bestowed upon me in being permitted to serve you as best I could as Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. This is indeed an exalted and honored position; in fact, I consider it second to none in the gift of any part or all of the people of North Carolina. I shall ever be thankful to my Masonic brethren for this great honor which has been mine. Like any honor or office, it carries with it a commensurate responsibility, and I come now to report my activities in completing that responsibility, and to report to you on the condition of the Craft in North Carolina.

This is the first year in a number of years that a Grand Master could travel without restriction. This being so, it was my thought that the Grand Master this year should go among the Masons in the State from one end to the other to feel the pulse of Masonry, to offer suggestions as to Masonic labor and activity, and to learn from Masons themselves what is Masonry, and to attempt to take it to other Masons.

This has been a pleasant and beneficial experience to me, and I trust that it has been of some help to the brethren.

Masonry is a way of life, and a good one. Throughout my boyhood I observed how much my father put in Masonry, and how much he seemed to get out of it. I early



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determined to seek to become a Mason as soon as I could. I was induced to do so because of observing him who lived as a Mason. In such manner, in daily living, in application to Masonry, we best teach it. Any honor that has come to me by being Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina is his, and I gladly give it to him, as a tribute to his Masonic life, in the hope that it will in some part tend to compensate him for all that he has done for me.

#### FRATERNAL DEAD

During the year, as time marched on, the scythe of time has cut the brittle thread for many of our brethren, and they have been called to that land where our fathers have gone before us, to that Celestial Lodge above where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides. As always, the sands in the hour glass of life have run rapidly although imperceptibly. We cherish their memory here and commend their spirit to God who gave it. They have wrought in the quarries, and have now found rest. We deeply mourn their passing, but we are glad that they lived.

Since our last Annual Communication, the much beloved Brother Creasy K. Proctor, for eighteen years Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, and M. W. Alexander B. Andrews, Jr., Past Grand Master, have been called to their reward.

Although Brother Creasy K. Proctor was not at the time of his death an Officer of the Grand Lodge, in his life and living he personified and symbolized the highest things for which Masonry stands, and I thought it appropriate to call an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge to bury him with Masonic honors, which was requested by the family.

I have designated Worshipful Brother Robert L. Pugh to bring to the Grand Lodge a special memorial for Brother Proctor, and Brother Harrison Kauffman to bring a special memorial for Past Grand Master Andrews.

Brethren, may we rise in a moment of silent prayer and tribute to the memory of our departed brothers.

## THE GRAND MASTER

The size of the State of North Carolina, the number of lodges and Masons in the State, and the enormous amount of work which falls to a Grand Master, makes it impossible for him to do his best for the Craft in one year, particularly so if he has to give any time to his own personal affairs. Many Grand Jurisdictions have their Grand Master to serve two or three one-year terms. It requires a large part of a year to get under way with the program and to get over the State. From my own experience this year, I am firmly convinced that the interest of the Craft would be best served if Grand Masters served at least two years in one-year terms. However, I do not think that this should begin until after this year.

## GRAND SECRETARY

Right Worshipful Brother Wilbur L. McIver, Grand Secretary, has been of invaluable assistance to me this year, and I desire here to record that fact. Without him I would have been at a loss. He has ever been ready to render any assistance or give any information called for. He has ridden with me to four Group Meetings of District Deputies, forty District Meetings, and a number of other Masonic meetings, which has taken him away from his office where he was much needed. He has spent considerably more time at his work than called upon to do, twice as much time as required by the minimum hour law.

## PAST GRAND MASTER CHARLES B. NEWCOMB

Brother Newcomb, affectionately known as "Charlie," has been a tower of strength to me, as he has to previous Grand Masters. In the beginning of the year, Brother Newcomb told me to call on him if he could help me. I have sought advice from him from time to time on matters of Masonic Jurisprudence and general purposes, and he has always been as ready to give as I have to receive advice, when requested. When a perplexing question in Masonic jurisprudence arose that I was unable to determine satisfactorily to myself, I took the liberty to seek the counsel of this Master of Masonic Jurisprudence, than whom there is none better anywhere. I desire to re-



cord here my sincere appreciation to him, and to attest my unfailing belief, which is shared by innumerable others, in the wisdom of his head and heart.

#### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

I appointed a large number of new District Deputy Grand Masters, not because of any dereliction in duty of those who had served before, but it is my confirmed opinion that District Deputy Grand Masters should change from time to time. Some of the old ones remained in service. I have had excellent cooperation and support from the 40 District Deputy Grand Masters, and they have performed yeoman service in the work of Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction this year. They are the lieutenants in the field, the ones who do the hard work among the lodges and among the Masons, where lies the heart of Masonry. The excellent condition in which the Craft now finds itself is largely attributable to the District Deputy Grand Masters.

During the year, it became necessary for two District Deputy Grand Masters to resign because of inability to give the necessary time and proper attention to the duties of their office. These were Brother A. E. McElveen of the 30th District, and Brother Joe W. Thompson of the 12th District. To fill out Brother McElveen's unexpired term, I appointed Brother Thomas L. Harding of Yadkinville; for Brother Thompson's unexpired term, Brother W. L. Allen of Rockingham.

#### GROUP DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS' MEETINGS

Early in the year four group meetings of District Deputies were held: At Greenville, Fayetteville, Salisbury, and Asheville. The Grand Secretary and the Grand Lecturer assisted me in the conducting of these group meetings, at which meetings we discussed with the District Deputies our program for the year and had an exchange of ideas among them. Thirty-five of the forty District Deputies attended these group meetings. These meetings were found to be of much benefit; such a meeting should be held at the beginning of the year rather than in the middle or toward the end, in order that the Grand Master and his lieutenants in the field may work at a concerted

program. It is recommended that these meetings be continued in the future.

#### DISTRICT MEETINGS

A District Meeting was held in each of the forty Districts by the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. A conference was held in the afternoon with the officers of lodges. Such conferences were well attended and of considerable benefit. These conferences were devoted in general to Masonic law and procedure, rules and regulations and matters which the Grand Master and Grand Secretary thought necessary to be called to the attention of the Craft. The time at these officers' conferences was divided between the Grand Secretary and myself; the Grand Secretary devoting his attention primarily to the work of Secretaries and I talked with the officers respecting general policies and purposes. I spoke at evening sessions of each of the District Meetings. These District Meetings were well attended and of benefit to the Craft. My observation is that Masons in North Carolina look for these District Meetings. It is my belief that the holding of District Meetings should be a requirement in order that the Craft may be kept in touch with Masonic law and usage and the true purposes of the Fraternity. It is my opinion that there should be two District Meetings in each District; one primarily as a gathering of Masons for the Grand Master to deliver his message to the Craft, and another solely for instruction in the ritual under the direction of the Grand Lecturer. I earnestly recommend that this be done.

#### SALE OF MASONIC TEMPLE

Pursuant to authority given me at the Annual Communication in 1946, and upon the advice of an informal meeting of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters, and Committees, I called an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge to meet in Raleigh on September 11, 1946, to determine whether to sell the Masonic Temple. At said Communication, as is shown by the minutes thereof, the Masonic Temple was ordered sold to Land's Inc., for the sum of \$260,000.00, which sale was consummated on December 2, 1946, and the proceeds from said

sale turned over to the North Carolina Masonic Foundation. The Grand Lodge of North Carolina is now renting its lodge room and office quarters.

The thanks of the Grand Lodge go to Brother Edwin Yates, Chairman of the Subcommittee of the Masonic Temple Construction Co., Inc., which had charge of the sale of the property. Brother Yates devoted much time and effort toward bringing about and consummating this advantageous sale of the Masonic Temple, all without monetary reward. I have personally expressed to him the appreciation of the Grand Master, and the Masonic Temple Construction Company has expressed its appreciation to him, and I would like for the Grand Lodge here by a standing vote to express its sincere appreciation to Brother Yates for his unselfish service to the Grand Lodge.

The Masonic Temple Construction Company, Inc., now has nothing to do except to exist until such time as the Grand Lodge shall acquire other property. As Secretary to the Corporation, the Grand Secretary was also Custodian and in charge of the building, renting and superintending same, for which he received \$1,200.00 a year. Since there is no building for the Custodian to have custody of, his duties have ceased and his salary should be discontinued as of the date of this Grand Lodge. The Grand Secretary receives a salary of \$3,600.00 as Grand Secretary. This is not sufficient compensation, and in view of the discontinuance of the compensation from the Masonic Temple Construction Company, Inc., it is recommended that the salary of the Grand Secretary hereafter be \$5,000.00 a year.

I would be remiss if I did not state that the Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother Wilbur L. McIver, is also entitled to the thanks of this Grand Lodge for his untiring efforts clearing up innumerable details in connection with and leading to the sale of this Temple, these details being too numerous to mention here.

#### GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

Under the direction of the Grand Secretary, who is also Grand Librarian, and with my approval, and of the

Library Committee, the Grand Lodge Library has been moved from the dark and dank tomb where it has previously been on the second floor of the Masonic Temple Building, to rooms adjacent to the offices of the Grand Secretary, thereby making it more available and accessible to use, and more inviting to be used. The Grand Secretary has worked very hard in getting the Library moved, and is deserving the thanks of this Grand Lodge. The Grand Secretary is an excellent librarian himself, and given a little time to get the Grand Lodge Library in order, the Library will be such as the Masons of North Carolina may well be proud, and one which they can use with pleasure and profit. The Grand Secretary, who is also Grand Librarian, receives no additional compensation for his duties as Grand Librarian. A reasonable sum should be appropriated each year for the improvement of the Grand Lodge Library.

#### ALEXANDER B. ANDREWS COLLECTION

Upon the death of Past Grand Master Alexander B. Andrews, his relatives turned over to Past Grand Master Charles P. Eldridge a number of Masonic relics, jewels, emblems, and documents, which have been turned over to the Grand Librarian, and are now in the Grand Lodge Library. They are being arranged in a collection to be known as "the A. B. Andrews Collection." These are very valuable relics, and we thank the family of Past Grand Master Andrews for them.

#### NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION

Directors of this Foundation are rendering invaluable service to the Grand Lodge in investing the moneys in the hands of the Foundation. These Directors are assiduous in protecting the interest of the Grand Lodge. It is felt, however, that the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary should be Ex-officio Directors of the Foundation, in order that they may keep closely in touch with the financial affairs handled by this Grand Lodge, and I so recommend it.

#### EMERGENT COMMUNICATIONS

Besides the Emergent Communication to complete the sale of the Masonic Temple, during the year I have

convened four other Emergent Communications of the Grand Lodge:

(1) June 28, 1946, at Oxford, North Carolina, to conduct the Masonic Funeral of Brother Creasy K. Proctor, Past Grand Chaplain, and Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage.

(2) October 18, 1946, at Morehead City, to lay the corner-stone of the new lodge building of Ocean Lodge No. 405.

(3) March 19, 1947, at Greenville, to dedicate the new lodge hall of Greenville Lodge No. 284.

(4) March 22, 1947, at Union Grove, to dedicate the new lodge hall of Grassy Knob Lodge No. 471.

#### MASONIC CHARITY

By agreement with Brother R. D. Turner, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Charity Committee, in December, 1946, I ordered paid to Brother J. F. Marquette, Assistant Grand Lecturer, the sum of \$200.00, and to Brother P. C. Stott, Assistant Grand Lecturer, the sum of \$100 out of Charity Fund. By agreement with Brother Turner, I have since ordered paid out of the Charity Fund, to Brother J. F. Marquette, the sum of \$200.00.

Brother Stott was sick during a good part of 1946, and therefore was unable to work a good part of the time.

Brother Marquette has been unable to do any work at all for a long time. Also, his good wife is not in good health. The Masons in the part of the State where Brother Marquette lives have been practicing true Masonic charity and are helping him regularly. We talk a lot about Masonic charity, but I thought that here was a good place to do some of it. I trust that this meets with your approval.

#### FOREIGN GRAND LODGES

Although I have received several invitations to be the guest of Grand Lodges at their Annual Communications, including the Grand Lodge of Canada for the Province of Ontario, I have been unable to do so due to conflicting appointments in this Grand Jurisdiction. I felt that the cause of Masonry in North Carolina was my first duty.

It was with much regret that I had to decline these invitations. I did attend the Grand Lodge of Virginia in February, 1947, accompanied by Mrs. Bundy, as did the Grand Secretary, and we were accorded many gracious courtesies and hospitality for which our Virginia brethren are justly famed. Previously I had attended a meeting in St. Tammany's Lodge in Hampton, Virginia, on the occasion of the official visitation to that lodge of Most Worshipful Brother T. Penn Coleman, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, at which time St. Tammany Lodge raised a North Carolina candidate to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason as a courtesy to Phoenix Lodge No. 8 of Fayetteville. District Deputy Grand Masters H. W. Smith and H. A. Campen, and Brother Richard P. Baer, accompanied me on this visitation.

Due to vacancies arising from different causes, I have appointed a number of Representatives of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina near other Grand Lodges, as will appear in the Record, and have been pleased to recommend to Grand Masters of other Grand Jurisdictions the appointment of outstanding Masons in North Carolina as Representatives of these Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

#### JOSEPH MONTFORT MEDALS

I am happy to award the Joseph Montfort Medal to three outstanding and deserving Masons: Most Worshipful Brother Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, and Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United States; Brother George R. Bennette, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home; Right Worshipful Brother Wilbur L. McIver, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

#### MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION GRAND MASTERS' CONFERENCE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

I attended the Annual Meeting of the above three organizations in Washington, D. C., on January 19-22, 1947, accompanied by Worshipful Brother Harvey W.



Smith, District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District. Also in attendance were Past Grand Master Hubert M. Poteat, a member of the Executive Commission of the Masonic Service Association; Past Grand Master J. Edward Allen, Representative to the Masonic Service Association, and Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association; Past Grand Master Charles P. Eldridge, a member of the Board of Directors of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association; Grand Secretary Wilbur L. McIver; and Deputy Grand Master Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.

Past Grand Master Hubert M. Poteat read the report of the Executive Commission at the meeting of the Masonic Service Association on February 19.

The Masonic Service Association is Masonry at work. It is what its name signifies, a Masonic Association for service. This Association rendered a highly valuable and much needed service in maintaining Service Centers for men in the Armed Forces during the war, and is now rendering an equally important service in visitation to service and ex-service men in hospitals, and rendering aid and assistance to them. The film, "To Aid and Assist," has been shown at several District Meetings, and at a number of other Masonic gatherings in this State. This is a well acted and moving story, depicting the work of the Masonic Service Association among service men in hospitals. This Association graciously offered me the use of one or more of these films, for which there is no charge. I still have this film and it is available for any lodge or Masonic gathering which desires it, and it may be seen by the public. This film will be shown at this Grand Lodge.

Early in the year, I wrote each lodge requesting voluntary donations to the Masonic Service Association for the European Masonic Relief Fund, and the response to this appeal was very gratifying. The report of the Executive Commission shows that North Carolina Masons donated \$4,143.51 for this purpose, the next highest amount from any one Grand Jurisdiction being \$2,004.60.



The Grand Masters' Conference was held on February 20-21. The Conference Committee had requested me to address the Conference on the subject, "Do We Have an Obligation to Negro Freemasonry?" I had never given this subject anything but casual thinking, but when I began to study it I became interested in it. This question had been discussed previously at the Grand Masters' Conference, and the Conference Committee assigned me this subject because they wanted someone to speak on it from the South. I reached the conclusion in my address that we do owe an obligation to Negro Freemasonry; the obligation to leave it alone and not meddle in its affairs. If the Negro's Masonry is good for him, he should not be denied it, in like manner as he should not be denied Christianity. My observation has been that it is the better class of Negroes who are interested in Masonry. My study in preparing this address convinced me that Negro Masons do not themselves wish to be absorbed by us; to do so would be to lose their identity. This is particularly so of the Prince Hall Affiliation, which claims legitimacy of origin. I am of the opinion that we should not, as we have not, formally or officially recognized Negro Freemasonry, but that we should be willing for them to enjoy the privileges and benefits of their Masonry without interference on our part. I see no reason for us to be disturbed about the question. The Negro has his Church; we have our Church. The Negro has his Masonic lodge; we have ours. Ours is good for us; I think that theirs is good for them. Certainly there is no call for recognition or inter-visitation.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association met in the Memorial at Alexandria as heretofore. This magnificent Temple, built as a memorial to George Washington and to Freemasonry, is truly a house set upon a hill, literally and symbolically. When we look upon its magnificent proportions, rising Phoenix-like to Heaven, we are reminded of the Temple of Solomon around which Masonic interest centers. This Memorial is not yet completed, but is gradually nearing completion. Like our moral edifices, it is the Temple unfinished.

It can best be described in the words of that eminent Mason, Joseph Fort Newton:

"When at last the work of the builders is done and the Memorial stands stately in the sunlight, white and magnificent at night, it will be at once a Perpetual Shrine and a Prophetic Symbol; a Shrine where men who despair of the present may rekindle their Masonic faith and their patriotic hope, a Symbol of the unity and power of Freemasonry, in whose fellowship our first President lived and wrought. Led by its light, taught by its truth, hallowed by its spirit, the Republic itself is at once its monument and his Memorial."

This is a Memorial and a Temple in which all Masons can well be proud. Relatively it lacks a small portion of being completed. It will require money to complete it, and money to maintain it. Heretofore, this Grand Lodge has made an annual donation, \$3,500.00 last year.

The Association favors the raising of money needed hereafter in such a way that each individual newly-made Mason shall have the opportunity to contribute to this great Memorial. More than 30 member Grand Lodges have adopted the plan of contributing \$1.00 for each newly-made Mason annually, which \$1.00 is paid by the newly-made Master Mason with the initiation fee. Not only will this cause the new Mason to feel that he has a part in this great Memorial, but it will relieve the budget of the Grand Lodge to that extent. On the basis of the newly-made Masons in 1946, our contribution would be more than the \$3,500.00 paid out of the Treasury. I earnestly and strongly recommend the adoption of this plan, each initiate to pay \$1.00, effective as of January 1, 1947.

#### OXFORD ORPHANAGE

This great humanitarian endeavor is the chief organized charity of North Carolina Freemasonry, and it is one in which every Mason in North Carolina is justly proud. During the four years I have served on the Board of Directors of Oxford Orphanage, by virtue of my offices in the Grand Lodge, I don't remember having missed a single Board Meeting. Here Masonry has really

been at work. There is no greater work, no higher endeavor than care and nurture and education of boys and girls who otherwise would not have had a chance, and sending them out into the world equipped to make the battle of life. Oxford Orphanage boys and girls have taken their part in the life of this State in such a manner as to reflect credit on the Orphanage which cared for them, and on Masonry, which sponsors the Orphanage. I addressed the Alumni Association at its Annual Meeting in 1946, and I was pleased and proud to observe the manner of men and women who make up the alumni of Oxford Orphanage. Our work at Oxford Orphanage pays big dividends in men and women. Creasy Proctor used to delight in saying that of all the boys and girls who had gone through Oxford Orphanage, so far as the records show, not a single one of them has ever been convicted of a major crime. These are some of the wages of a Master Mason.

We were all deeply shocked in June, 1946, at the sudden passing of that great man and Mason, Superintendent Creasy K. Proctor. He was a great man because he was a good man. He died as he would have wanted to die, at his work at the Orphanage. He was probably the best loved Mason in North Carolina; he was known by more Masons than any man in North Carolina. There was never a call for Oxford Orphanage or Masonry that came to him that he did not answer, if it was possible for him to do so. He labored so zealously that his days were shortened, but his memory endureth forever. In building our moral edifices we can seek no better design upon the trestle-board than his life, and build ours according to that plan. We very deeply mourn his passing, but we are glad he lived, and that we had the privilege of working with him and calling him Brother. He has left a heritage to Oxford Orphanage and Masonry in North Carolina, which is a challenge to us to carry on.

The Board of Directors took about five months to select a new Superintendent to succeed Brother Proctor. It was the thought of the Board that it should not only be concerned with getting the right man, but that it should be concerned that it did not get the wrong man.

Early in December, 1946, at a meeting of the Board of Directors in Raleigh, Rev. A. DeLeon Gray was elected Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, and almost immediately thereafter entered upon his duties. Brother Gray is an ardent Mason, and was Pastor of the Methodist Church in Snow Hill at the time of his election, having theretofore served as Pastor of the Methodist Church in Jacksonville. He was highly recommended by innumerable men and women of all walks of life. In his early childhood, Brother Gray became an Orphan himself and has come up the hard way. In spite of difficulties and interruptions in his education brought about by economic circumstances, he finally completed his education, and made a study of orphanage work, which has long been his interest. Brother Gray is a consecrated Christian Minister, concerned about practical religion as well as the religion of the Temple, and the fine tradition of Oxford Orphanage is being carried on by Brother Gray. His good wife, who has long been active in Eastern Star work, and who is vitally interested in her husband's work in building the lives of boys and girls, is of invaluable assistance to him. He has the undivided support of the Orphanage Staff and the children at Oxford to whom he has already endeared himself. The prayers of all of us are with him and those who labor at Oxford with him in the difficult tasks of building orphan boys and girls into useful and good men and women.

During the interim between the death of Brother Proctor and the election of Brother Gray as Superintendent, Brother M. E. Parham, Business Manager of Oxford Orphanage, was Acting Superintendent, and Brother E. T. Regan, Principal of the Oxford Orphanage School, was Assistant Acting Superintendent. These brethren did an excellent job in carrying on the work of the Orphanage during these five months, and they are entitled to the thanks and approbation of the Masons in North Carolina; and presuming to speak for the Masons in North Carolina, I here express their thanks and their approbation. With Brother Gray as Superintendent, Brother Regan as Assistant Superintendent, and Brother Parham as Business Manager and Treasurer, Oxford Orphanage has a triumvirate that is hard to beat.

The raising of funds for the Chapel at the Orphanage, sponsored by the Grand York Rite Bodies, is nearing completion, and it is to be hoped that these funds will be completely raised in the very near future, so that work may begin on this much needed building at the Orphanage.

Brother A. A. Husman, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40, conceived the idea of building a cottage at the Orphanage for the boys to be known as "The Masters Cottage," in memoriam to all Masters and Past Masters. Approval was given to this plan by me. Very little funds have been donated to this purpose so far. This is not only an excellent idea, to build a cottage in memoriam to Masters, but it is necessary that a cottage be built at the Orphanage, for the Walker Building now being used as a Cottage is just about out of commission. Unless funds are provided by the Masons to build the Masters' Cottage, the money will have to be found somewhere to erect a cottage for boys in the very near future. I urge all lodges to give immediate attention to this worthwhile and needed project, and turn over the collection of funds for this purpose to the Oxford Orphanage Committee of your lodge or to a special committee. The funds are to be sent earmarked to the Grand Secretary.

#### MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

This is Masonry's other organized charity, and is of equal importance with the Orphanage. The home is under the joint sponsorship of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star, and in this home all Masons also can take justifiable pride. Those of you who have never visited the Home should avail yourselves of the first opportunity to do so. Here are over eighty old men and women who have no one to care for them in their last days. To see them at the Home, happy and contented, is to receive a benediction. And they are happy and contented. Many of them have told Superintendent George R. Bennette that they were happier than they ever were before. Here again are the wages of a Master Mason. I can conceive of no greater endeavor than that of caring for these old people in their last days.



when they have no one to care for them. From this we can receive no visible dividends, but we have that inner good feeling which comes from knowing that we have helped to make their last days happy. These are dividends beyond price.

The Masonic and Eastern Star Home is fortunate in having as its Superintendent, Brother George R. Bennette. The superintendency of a home for the aged is no easy job, and one to which only a few men are adapted. Brother Bennette is ideally adapted for this work, by temperament, by experience since he has been there, and by innate love for old people. I desire to state here that in my humble opinion Brother George R. Bennette is doing a great work, and that when he shall have come to the end of his toilsome journey, and shall stand before the Great White Throne, it will be his portion to hear from Him who sitteth as the Judge Supreme the welcome words, "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of the Lord."

Certainly I would take nothing of our interest from the Orphanage, but, in our enthusiasm for the Orphanage may we not forget the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

#### THE ORPHANS' FRIEND

The Orphans' Friend, published by the Printing Department of Oxford Orphanage, is the Masonic publication in this State. The Grand Lodge has no official publication as such. The Orphans' Friend is used as such. Every Mason in North Carolina should receive the Masonic publication. Only one out of three Masons in North Carolina receives The Orphans' Friend. Forty-four lodges are now subscribing to The Orphans' Friend for their entire membership. I wish that every lodge in North Carolina would do so, for the Masonic publication ought to go to every affiliated Mason in the State. Only by this can the Masons keep in touch with Masonic affairs and activities throughout North Carolina. The cost is negligible, \$1.00 per year when subscribed to individually, and 70 cents when subscribed to as a lodge. By the latter method each of the 24 copies during the year costs a frac-

tion less than three cents. Many lodges have amended their by-laws to slightly increase their dues to take care of this. I strongly recommend that all lodges subscribe to *The Orphans' Friend* for its entire membership.

I am of opinion that the Masonic Fraternity should have an official publication, devoted to the cause of Masonry, publishing articles of Masonic interest by Masonic writers and thinkers in this State and elsewhere, and Masonic news. This would immeasurably help Masonic education. Many states have such a publication. Why should not North Carolina have one? It is strongly recommended that this matter be given serious consideration by this Grand Lodge, and that the incoming Grand Master be authorized to refer the study of this matter to the Board of General Purposes or to a Special Masonic Publication Committee, to study, prepare, and present a plan for this to be done, at the next Annual Communication.

#### VISITATIONS AND TRAVELS

I have tried to keep the Craft informed of my Masonic travels and visitations since the last Annual Communication through *The Orphans' Friend* in the column "Riding With the Grand Master." To attempt to summarize same here in any detail would require too much time and space. Suffice it to say that I have not declined a single invitation to attend a Masonic function of any kind unless I had a previous engagement. Besides the four group meetings of District Deputies and the forty District Meetings heretofore mentioned, I have attended the Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, which I addressed; the Annual Meeting of the Grand York Rite Bodies; two Scottish Rite Reunions, and three other Scottish Rite Meetings. I spoke at the Masonic Fellowship Club in Charlotte; spoke at four Lodge Anniversary Celebrations; constituted two new lodges in ample form—Temple Lodge No. 676 in Charlotte, Warsaw Lodge No. 677 in Warsaw; spoke at 22 Ladies' Night Banquets; attended 52 other lodge meetings of various kinds at which I spoke; and have attempted to preach three Masonic sermons. I don't know that



the brethren have received any good from my visitations and my association with them, but I know that I have received an immeasurable amount of good. One of the greatest joys that comes to a Grand Master is the privilege of mingling with the brethren, and the privilege of mingling with the brethren this year as your Grand Master was a great experience and a source of considerable pleasure and profit.

At a number of meetings I have had the pleasure of presenting Twenty-five Year Certificates and Fifty Year Buttons; the presentation of these certificates and buttons, begun in the administration of Past Grand Master J. Edward Allen, is one of the finest things that we do. Masons appreciate this recognition of their long time loyalty and fidelity. According to the Grand Secretary's report, there were 781 Twenty-five Year Certificates presented in 1946. It can easily be seen thereby that the handwriting of the Grand Master should now be much improved. I occupy the unique distinction of being the only Grand Master who has signed a Twenty-five Year Certificate for himself.

#### HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

A number of the lodges have done me the honor to elect me to Honorary Membership, and I desire here to express my deep appreciation for the honor so conferred on me. These lodges were: Farmville Lodge No. 517, Ayden Lodge No. 498, Joseph Warren Lodge No. 92, Doric Lodge No. 568, Sanford Lodge No. 151, Royal Hart Lodge No. 497, Johnston-Caswell Lodge No. 10, Francis S. Packard Lodge No. 630, Oxford Lodge No. 122, Liberty Lodge No. 45, North Wilkesboro Lodge No. 407, Mt. Pleasant Lodge No. 573, Ashler Lodge No. 373, Trap Hill Lodge No. 483; the last five are all of the lodges in the 33rd District, and were presented to me at the District Meeting in this District by Worshipful Brother John W. Nichols.

#### LODGES U. D.

I have signed dispensations for four lodges to work under dispensation until this Annual Communication. They are as follows:

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

1. Providence Lodge at Columbia, June 21, 1946.
2. Creasy Proctor Lodge at Fayetteville, July 30, 1946.
3. Semper Fidelis Lodge at Midway Park, December 21, 1946.
4. Piedmont Lodge at High Point, February 28, 1947.

## ARREST OF CHARTER

I have arrested only one Charter, that of Rock Spring Lodge No. 341, at Denver, North Carolina, in the 28th District. The membership of this lodge has decreased to 15 and a number of them now live in other lodge jurisdictions. This lodge has not had a meeting in several years, has not been represented at the Grand Lodge in years, and was unable to carry on the work of a lodge. The members now residing in the jurisdiction of the lodge realized and admitted that the lodge could not carry on.

There is one lodge that is in almost the same condition, but it is in the process of attempting to consolidate, and it is to be hoped that this consolidation will be consummated.

## PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS

I expected to have a large number of requests to waive physical disqualifications, resulting from the war, but requests for such waivers have been few. After a thorough investigation as to all other qualifications, I have exercised the prerogative of the Grand Master under Section 17 (4) and waived the physical disabilities in the following cases:

(1) Mr. "A" from "Z" Lodge: The thumb of his right hand is off at the first joint, his two middle fingers off between the knuckle joint and the hand, and his third finger off at the knuckle joint. The petitioner is a mechanic and works with his hands every day. The petition did not disclose any physical disability. I personally talked with the petitioner and the Brother who took in his petition, and neither of them, by virtue of this deemed him to have a physical disability. On the night of his ini-

tiation, the District Deputy Grand Master, acting as Master, did not discover the maim in the petitioner's hand until the work was being conferred, at which time he deemed it too late to stop. The matter was then referred to me before proceeding further. Upon a thorough personal investigation, I waived the disability *nunc pro tunc*.

Brethren are urged to see that the question in the petition regarding maim or disability shall be specifically answered, and be in detail.

(2) Mr. "B" from "Y" Lodge: The petitioner had an automobile accident a number of years ago which broke him up, especially his left leg. He cannot bend his left leg quite far enough to make a 45° angle, but almost.

(3) Mr. "C" from "X" Lodge: Mr. "C", a minister, had a stiff knee caused from a cut with an ax which rendered him unable to kneel completely.

(4) Mr. "D" from "W" Lodge: Mr. "D's" right arm is off above his elbow. I made investigation personally of this case from several Masons in whom I have full confidence. This man has made an excellent Mason.

(5) Mr. "E" from "V" Lodge: The petitioner's right foot is off below the ankle, and he was fitted with an artificial foot of which he had very good use. Having good use of his artificial foot, it was doubtful if any waiver was necessary, but I waived the disability, if any.

Four inquiries were made with respect to waiver of disabilities, and upon advice from me as to the procedure and law, nothing else was done with respect thereto.

I declined to waive the physical disability in the case of Mr. "F" in "U" Lodge, whose disability consisted in all the fingers of the right hand being off, except about one-half of the fore-finger. Upon investigation as to other qualifications, and advice from confidential sources, this request for waiver was denied.

Several requests for waiver of disability were received for petitioners where no waiver was necessary. Your attention is again called to Section 117 (3), which reads: "Maim or deformity shall not prevent a candidate from being initiated, passed, or raised, provided such

candidate can, by artificial means, comply with the provisions of paragraph (1), of this Section."

#### CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE

In March, 1947, I gave permission to Denton Lodge No. 404, at Denton, North Carolina, to move their meeting place to a local Church while a new lodge building is being constructed, the old building being in bad disrepair, the lodge having voted so to do as provided in Regulation 141 on page 59 of the Code.

#### MEETING WITHOUT CHARTER

On September 26, 1946, the Charter of Archer Lodge No. 165 became so dim and dull that it was necessary to retrace the letters so as to permit photographic copies to be made under the direction of the Grand Secretary, and this lodge was granted dispensation to meet and continue its work in all respects until such Charter or its authorized duplicate should be returned to the Lodge.

Lebanon Lodge No. 207 lost its Charter, and after diligent search has not been able to find same. As provided in Regulation 52, adopted at the Annual Communication in 1946, resolution setting forth the loss of the Charter and requesting authority to hold meetings and to continue work until the issuance of a duplicate Charter was presented me, and permission or dispensation was granted for this lodge to meet, pending the issuance of such duplicate Charter.

#### CONCURRENT JURISDICTION

Concurrent jurisdiction was granted in only one instance: to Lafayette Lodge No. 83 in Jacksonville and Semper Fidelis Lodge U. D. at Midway Park. These towns are very close together and concurrent jurisdiction being agreeable to both lodges, and being conducive to the best interest of the Craft, same was granted on December 23, 1946.

#### LODGE BUILDINGS

At the Annual Communication in 1946, Regulation 286, entitled "Lodge Buildings and Indebtedness There-

of," was adopted, providing for the approval by the Lodge Service Commission of the erection, purchasing, or leasing property for the purpose of constructing Masonic Lodge Halls, and incurring debt therefor, for the purpose of preventing lodges from over-extending themselves. Many lodges are contemplating and planning new lodge buildings and have submitted their plans to the Lodge Service Commission. I have found it necessary to call attention of certain lodges to this Regulation, and the attention is hereby called to all lodges that the building of new lodge buildings, etc., is subject to the approval of the Lodge Service Commission, and plans and estimates therefor should be submitted to it. A questionnaire will be furnished any lodge upon request of the Chairman of the Commission.

#### BURIAL SERVICE

This is a very important and much neglected part of the work of a lodge. When a subordinate lodge is called upon to conduct the Masonic funeral of a deceased brother, it is seen in action by the public, and is judged by the public according to the way this service is performed. The manner in which a lodge performs this solemn ceremony, the last thing that it can do for a departed brother, will bring either credit or discredit upon the lodge and upon the Fraternity. I have known good men to be induced to petition for the degrees because of being impressed by a Masonic burial service; other good men have not done so because of the bad impression they received from a poorly conducted burial service. A Special Communication of a lodge to perform the funeral rites of a deceased brother is called for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to him. Our burial service itself says:

"From time immemorial, it has been the custom among the fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, at the request of a brother, to accompany his remains to the place of interment, and there to deposit them with the usual formalities.

"In conformity to this usage, we have assembled in the character of Masons, to offer up to his memory, be-

fore the world, the last tribute of our affection; thereby demonstrating the sincerity of our past esteem for him, and our steady attachment to the principles of the Order."

The manner in which Masonic burial services are sometimes conducted demonstrates little esteem for the deceased brother and very little attachment to the principles of the Order. Of course, the profane judges the Fraternity by what he sees. I am firmly convinced that due attention to the proper conducting of Masonic funerals will tend to increase the esteem in which the Fraternity is held by the public immeasurably. It is as important that a lodge should properly conduct this service as it is to properly confer a degree. I have observed during the past year that a number of lodges are giving attention to this very important part of the work of a lodge.

It is thought by many, in which I concur, that our burial service should be improved. It speaks too much of death and too little of hope. This may be one reason why some lodges do not perform it properly, because they do not like the service. I had thought to appoint a committee to redraft our burial service to submit at this Annual Communication, but upon more thought I deemed it proper to recommend that this be done by the Grand Lodge itself. I, therefore, strongly recommend and urge that the Grand Master be authorized and directed to appoint a special committee of three to study this matter, prepare and get together a new and improved burial ceremony and submit same to the Board of Custodians for approval.

#### OTHER CEREMONIES

Having officiated at the constituting of two new lodges this year and one last year as Deputy Grand Master, it has forcibly come to my attention that the ceremony of constituting a new lodge ought to be brought up to date and rewritten. So does the ceremony of installation of officers. In this ceremony there should be a pledge of office similar to the ceremony of installation



of Grand Lodge Officers. I particularly recommend that a pledge of office be included in the ceremony of installation.

Having presided at the laying of the cornerstone of the lodge building of Ocean Lodge No. 405 at Morehead City, and the dedication of the lodge hall of Greenville Lodge No. 284, and Grassy Knob Lodge No. 471, I have come face to face with the need of these ceremonies being rewritten. All of these ceremonies are antiquated and obsolete and prepared for a time much different from today, and some portions of these ceremonies are now meaningless. I do not mean that these ceremonies should be completely discarded and new ones adopted, but that study should be given to improving these ceremonies by keeping that portion of them which is good, deleting therefrom such portions as are not appropriate today, and adding thereto so as to make the ceremonies more appropriate for this day and time. I, therefore, recommend and urge that the incoming Grand Master be authorized and directed to appoint a committee of three to prepare and submit a new ceremony of constitution to be approved by the Board of Custodians and the Board of General Purposes; a committee of three to prepare and submit a new ceremony of installation of officers in subordinate lodges, and submit same for approval to the Board of Custodians and the Board of General Purposes; and a committee of three to prepare and submit a new ceremony of laying cornerstones and dedicating lodge halls, for approval, to the Board of Custodians and the Board of General Purposes.

#### INVASIONS OF JURISDICTIONS

(1) In December, 1943, Robert Earl Hood, 226 Second Street, Hickory, North Carolina, petitioned Hickory Lodge No. 343 and was rejected. In 1946 he petitioned Cookville Lodge No. 502, Cookville, North Carolina, a few miles from Hickory, was elected and received the degrees. In his petition to Cookville Lodge No. 502, he stated that he had petitioned Hickory Lodge No. 343 and that the petition was withdrawn, which proved to



be not the case. Investigation disclosed that the petitioner lived at the same address when he elected to receive the degrees in Cookville Lodge as he lived when he petitioned Hickory Lodge. It is true that he owned property, paid taxes, and voted in Jacobs Fork Township, Catawba County. I got the impression that Hood was guided in this matter by others who presumed to know Masonic law, and I gave him the benefit of the doubt, and did not require charges to be brought against him. However, I required Cookville Lodge No. 502 to pay over to Hickory Lodge No. 343 all fees received, and wrote the lodge a strong letter of reprimand.

(2) Alton Parker Carroll resides in the jurisdiction of Forest City Lodge No. 381, Forest City, but he petitioned Western Star Lodge No. 91 in Rutherfordton. He gets his mail on a R.F.D. Route out of Rutherfordton and is employed in Rutherfordton. He lived about one mile over the midway line between the two lodges. The most of the rural route on which he lives is nearer Rutherfordton than Forest City. As soon as Western Star Lodge No. 91 learned that he resides in the jurisdiction of Forest City Lodge, such fact was reported to me and this lodge offered to abide by whatever decision was made and expressed regret for the mistake inadvertently made. Section 74 of the Code provides a minimum penalty which is a forfeiture and payment of the fees to the lodge that lawfully held jurisdiction. This penalty was invoked and immediately complied with.

(3) John Barry Boney, Jr., petitioned Wallace Lodge No. 595, was elected to receive the degrees and was initiated. On January 21, 1947, Wallace Lodge No. 595 formally requested St. John's Lodge No. 1, of Wilmington, to prepare and advance him. In the process of identification, it developed that he was employed and resided in Wilmington from July 1939 to July 1942, at which time he entered the Armed Forces. In November 1946 he returned to his same employment in Wilmington and resumed his residence. He was born and reared in Wallace, his Church membership is in Wallace, his family connections are in Wallace, he visits there often, but he actually

resides in Wilmington. Masonic residence is actual residence. When he was in service he gave his address as Wallace, his wife living there with her mother during the time. However, soon after his return from the Army he resumed his residence in Wilmington. This being a clear invasion of the jurisdiction of the Wilmington lodges, and St. John's Lodge No. 1 being the first one to take action in the matter, I declared the fee forfeited and ordered same paid by Wallace Lodge No. 595 to St. John's Lodge No. 1, which was immediately done.

#### LODGE HISTORIES

It is highly important that lodges should preserve for their posterity a true and proper lodge history. Several lodges have taken steps to do this, particularly if there is a member interested in this kind of thing. This may not seem very important to us of the present day, but to future generations it will be very important. It is recommended that lodges give attention to this and appoint a Historian or Committee of Historians to prepare such a history.

#### GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE

There was a net increase of 4,297 in membership in 1946. This in itself will give some idea of the enormous amount of work that has to be done in the Grand Secretary's Office. The work of the Grand Secretary's Office has steadily increased over the period of the last five years to such an extent that the force in the Grand Secretary's Office is not sufficient to handle the enormous amount of work and detail required. Equipment for the Grand Secretary's Office is much needed, particularly a dictaphone which would considerably accelerate and expedite the work of this office. It is recommended that a dictaphone be purchased for the Grand Secretary's Office and such other equipment as is necessary to carry on the required work of this office.

#### PUBLICITY

For some reason unknown to me, the great majority of Masonic lodges lean backward in the matter of pub-

licity. This is a day in which people are publicity conscious. We are living in entirely a different time than we were even fifty years ago. It is my opinion that lodges would do well to give serious attention to proper publicity of Masonic affairs and Masonic activities. A community is interested in its Masonic lodge, and they are interested in reading and hearing about Masonic activities, as the community is interested in anything for good. It is suggested that lodges have a designated member of the lodge to see that proper publicity is received in the local press and in the Masonic publication. There are communities in which no one ever hears anything about the Masonic Lodge; a great many of the people in these communities do not know that a Masonic lodge exists there.

The Grand Lodge, in support of this general idea, in my opinion, should have in the Grand Secretary's Office, as a part of the equipment for that office, a camera suitable for taking group pictures, etc., at Masonic occasions and meetings, for the publication in *The Orphans' Friend*, the press, and sometimes for preservation in the archives of the Grand Lodge and the subordinate lodges where the pictures are taken. It is recommended that the purchase of such a camera be authorized as a part of the equipment of the Grand Secretary's Office. There should also be in the Grand Secretary's Office as a part of the equipment of that office, a 16 m.m. sound projector for the purpose of showing at District Meetings and other such Masonic gatherings, films like the Masonic Service Association film, "To Aid and Assist." A film could be made on the Orphanage for showing in Masonic gatherings, and one of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. By this means of visual education, Masons about the state could be brought closer to these Masonic activities.

#### LECTURE SERVICE

I have given special emphasis at District Meetings and at other Masonic Meetings on the necessity of the proper conferring of the three Symbolic Degrees. A lodge is required to be able to do this in order to obtain

its Charter; it ought to be required to do it in order to keep its Charter. A lodge should not be permitted to become less able to do its degree work, which is its first purpose of existence, on its 20th or 25th Anniversary than it was on the day of its birth. When a lodge permits its efficiency as a lodge to get to the point that it cannot put on its degrees, from then on that lodge is not justifying its existence as a lodge, and experience and observation has shown that from that time on that lodge does not prosper or progress. From the District Deputy Grand Masters' reports, there are less than thirty lodges now that cannot confer their degrees. A great number of lodges could not confer their degrees a year ago. The Grand Lecturer and the District Deputy Grand Masters and the Certified Lecturers have supported me in insisting that a lodge equip itself to confer its degrees.

Under our present system of ritualistic instruction, the Grand Lecturer should devote his full time to the superintendence of this instruction. The Grand Lodge now has only one Assistant Grand Lecturer. The number of Certified Lecturers is increasing. These Certified Lecturers have been of invaluable assistance in instructing lodges in the ritual. The proper conferring of the work is one of the most important things we have to do. The excellent condition in which the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction finds itself today is largely attributable to the amazing increase of the ability of lodges to confer their degrees. There should be schools of instruction from time to time in different parts of the state to exemplify the degree work. This should be done in every district and wherever there is a lodge. To do this requires the time of someone who has the time to do it. Instruction in the work is under the direction of the Grand Lecturer. The Grand Lecturer should be a full time employee of the Grand Lodge so that he can give his full time to this most important phase of lodge work.

I therefore recommend that the Grand Lecturer be made a full time employee under supervision of the Board of Custodians, to be paid a compensation commensurate with his duties, and that he be given an expense allowance to enable him to properly do his work.

As stated heretofore, at the Group Meetings of District Deputy Grand Masters, the Grand Lecturer, Worshipful Brother G. A. Farrow, began a program of instruction whereby the degrees are exemplified under the direction of Certified Lecturers, called Schools of Instruction, which will more fully appear in the Grand Lecturer's report. The District Deputies, with the assistance of Certified Lecturers, have used this excellent method of instruction extensively in some sections, with outstanding results. The Grand Lecturer has given much of his time and thought to improving the work in the lodges in the State, and is due the thanks of the Grand Lodge, and your Grand Master strongly commends his efforts and hereby expresses your thanks to him. Much more could have been done if the Grand Lecturer could devote his full time to supervision of instruction.

I would be remiss in my duty if I did not express the thanks of the Masons in North Carolina to the Certified Lecturers. Many of these men have gone out of their way to assist and serve their brethren. A large number have instructed lodges as provided in our law. Many of them have rendered much assistance without charge, their only reward being the knowledge of having assisted their brethren in the search for Masonic light.

We now have only one active Assistant Grand Lecturer, Brother P. C. Stott. He receives \$35.00 per week from the Grand Lodge, and the lodge he lectures pays his other expenses. In the rising cost of living, this is not a sufficient compensation. The Assistant Grand Lecturer gives more time to his work than a Certified Lecturer, because he gives his full time for a week, during which time he can do nothing else. I therefore recommend that the Assistant Grand Lecturer be paid the sum of \$50.00 per week.

#### PROFICIENCY IN THE THIRD DEGREE

I have given much thought to the matter of requiring candidates to become proficient in the Third Degree, and I have come to the conclusion that a candidate should be examined in and made proficient in the Third Degree



in like manner as in the First and Second Degrees. The Mason will find such proficiency to be of much benefit to him should he visit other lodges. As a matter of logic and as a matter of Masonic knowledge, a Mason should know the Third Degree as he is required to know the First and Second Degrees. I can see no reason to the contrary. I therefore recommend the adoption of the following Regulation, which is patterned after that of the Grand Lodge of Iowa: "A Master Mason must become proficient in the Third Degree before he can vote, hold office, serve on committee, demit from his lodge or petition for degrees or membership in any Masonic Body of the York Rite or Scottish Rite."

#### TAKING DEGREES

We should not be in too much of a hurry to give a candidate the degrees. This we are inclined to do when so many candidates are seeking admission into Masonry as at the present time. A candidate loses some of the meaning, significance and teaching of the degrees if he is rushed through them. Regardless of how easy it is for a candidate to memorize the catechism, he should not be rushed from one degree to the other, for in so doing the importance of the degrees may be lost upon him, as is often the case. Candidates should be caused to realize that taking the degrees in Masonry is an important and significant step in their lives, and not something like a football to grab and run with. Some Grand Jurisdictions require a certain period of time to pass between the degrees. I am strongly of the opinion that this Grand Jurisdiction should adopt such a requirement. Masonry is too important a thing to jam down the throats of candidates in three quickly repeated doses. The candidate should have an opportunity between each degree to study it and to think about it, and be instructed in its meaning as well as in its ritual. When the depression or recession comes we want to be certain that there is not a wholesale loss of members as there was after the last war. One way to insure against such taking place is to see that the candidates are carefully instructed and come to realize the importance of Masonry. I therefore recom-

mend that the following or a similar resolution be adopted:

“No Entered Apprentice shall be made a Fellowcraft until he shall have been an Entered Apprentice for at least one lunar month; and no Fellowcraft shall be made a Master Mason until he shall have been a Fellowcraft for at least one lunar month.”

#### HIGHER OR ADVANCED DEGREES

The same thing is true with respect to taking the so-called higher or advanced degrees. In our petition for degrees a candidate says:

“That I am prompted by a favorable opinion conceived of the institution, a desire for knowledge, and a sincere wish to be of service to my fellow creatures.”

Observation and experience have shown that many men have petitioned for the degrees for other reasons, pecuniary, business, social, or political; in other words, for what they expected to get out of Masonry. Such a man, of course, has no business being a Mason, and Masonry has no place for him.

Many men petition for the degrees solely as a step by which to take the Scottish Rite or York Rite Degrees and the Shrine. While these Bodies are excellent in themselves, and I belong to all of them, the foundation and the body of Masonry is in the Three Symbolic Degrees, which are of, for, and sufficient unto themselves, and for those who truly seek light, and not those who seek to use them for selfish purposes.

It is my opinion, which is concurred in by many outstanding members of the York Rite, Scottish Rite, and the Shrine, that there should be a waiting period between the time that a man is raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason and the time he takes the so-called higher or advanced degrees, in order to help prevent men petitioning for the degrees for the sole purpose of using them as a step to join an appendant Masonic Body. It is my opinion that it will work for the improvement of the Grand Lodge and its subordinate lodges, and for the other Masonic Bodies. Therefore, I recommend that a suitable regulation be adopted providing that no Master



Mason shall join any body of the York or Scottish Rite until he shall have been a Master Mason for at least three months, and has made proficiency in the Third Degree as heretofore recommended.

#### NEWLY MADE MASONS

When a man receives the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, we congratulate him, slap him on the back and tell him how glad we are to have him. He comes to the lodge a few times after that and nobody pays him any attention. He then finds somewhere else to go, and I don't blame him. Just after a man has been raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, he is imbued with the spirit and purpose of Masonry, and wants to help do something about it. That is the time that we should see that this interest is directed toward Masonic activities, and not allow the newly made Mason to drift away. He should be given something to do. He should be given instruction in Masonic law and procedure. He should be directed toward the proper kind of Masonic reading, he should be made to feel that he is a Mason among Masons. If he is inclined toward ritual, he should be given something to do in degree work. If not, he should be given something else to do, and there are plenty of things to do. By so doing we make of a newly made Mason a working Mason instead of a mere dues paying Mason.

It is particularly important that the newly made Mason should receive instruction, very soon after he is made a Mason, in Masonic law, because he knows nothing about Masonic law. I am glad to note that some lodges are paying particular attention to this kind of thing. All lodges are urged to do so. It will pay excellent dividends.

#### INSTRUCTION IN MASONIC LAW

Our Code requires the Master to "read and expound the law." Too many of them do not do it. In the installation ceremony, the Master is told to "cause it (the Book of Constitutions) to be frequently read in your lodge, that none might pretend ignorance of the excellent precepts which it enjoins." Masons forget what the law is unless

they are reminded from time to time, for every member does not have a Code; only one is provided for the lodge. Many inquiries have come to me about questions of Masonic law and procedure which could just have easily been answered by the inquirer himself had he taken the time and effort to look in the Code. A few minutes spent concerning some phase of Masonic law at a meeting is well worthwhile; not only is it beneficial to the members, but it is required by law. Masters and Secretaries particularly are urged to keep themselves informed as to Masonic law and usage, for two reasons:

- (1) That they may be better enabled to operate the business of the lodge.
- (2) That they may instruct the membership of the lodge.

#### RESIDENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

(1) I was asked if a lodge can receive a petition for degrees from a man who has resided in the jurisdiction of said lodge for less than four months, having gone there directly after his discharge from the Army, without getting waiver of jurisdiction from the lodge in whose jurisdiction he lived before going to the Army.

**RULING:** Before this lodge could entertain this man's petition, he must secure a waiver of jurisdiction from the lodge in whose jurisdiction he last resided for as long as twelve months.

Many questions have arisen on this point. A petitioner who has returned from the military service must have resided in the jurisdiction of the lodge which he petitions for twelve consecutive months, after his return from the military service, if he does not return to the jurisdiction of the lodge where he resided for twelve consecutive months before going into the military service.

(2) A married man whose family lives in Charlotte, who is a railroad man living in Salisbury and working out of Salisbury, making it necessary for him to live in Salisbury, who goes to Charlotte to see his family and supports them, petitions a lodge in Salisbury. I am

asked to rule if the lodge in Salisbury can entertain his petition.

**RULING:** Masonic residence is actual residence. The petitioner actually resides in Salisbury. Therefore, the lodge in Salisbury can entertain his petition.

(3) A petitioner got a petition while at Fort Bragg but he was moved to Japan. He then petitioned Fort Bragg Lodge No. 667, giving his residence address as 3 Kellogg Street, Fort Plain, New York, and his business address where he received his mail in Japan.

**RULING:** The petitioner being in the military service and not being a citizen of North Carolina, and not having petitioned Fort Bragg Lodge while in its jurisdiction, his petition cannot be entertained. (Regulation 267).

(4) Mr. "B", a Warrant Officer in the Marine Corps whose original home was in New Jersey but has not lived there since joining the Marine Corps ten years ago, came to Camp Lejeune in September 1943. In January 1944, he went overseas for two years, returning to Camp Lejeune in January 1946. In February 1946, he was ordered to Brooklyn for separation and was discharged there. In May, 1946, he immediately re-enlisted. He spent his enlistment furlough in New Jersey, returned to Camp Lejeune in September 1946, where he has since been. Can his petition be received?

**RULING:** No. The petitioner has not resided in Camp Lejeune at any one time for as much as twelve months. Twelve months continuous actual residence is required to establish Masonic residence.

#### RULINGS AND DECISIONS

(1) Due to the enormous amount of degree work, certain lodges were using a short or modified form of opening and closing, in the interest of time, particularly if there was more than one Communication in the same day on different degrees.

**RULING:** I directed the lodges to discontinue same, which was done. There is but one ritualistic provision for opening and closing the several degrees. There is not

a long form and a short form, but only one form. (See Regulations under Section 108, page 60.)

(2) Two sons of Brother "A" petitioned a certain lodge; one was rejected. Brother "A" became indignant, stated that he knew who did it, talked with various members of the lodge about it, and said that Brother "B" and Brother "C", whom he accused of black-balling his son, had sons, and he hoped to live long enough to black-ball them when they petitioned for membership. Brother "A" had been warned but continued such talk. By reason thereof the fact of the rejection became known to the public. Question: Is "A" guilty of a Masonic offense?

RULING: Yes. Regulation 183 on page 71 specifically makes such threats a Masonic offense for which Masons may be tried. It is fundamental that the ballot shall be secret, and to disclose same is a Masonic offense.

(3) Brethren in a certain lodge, in their enthusiasm, voted to have a fish fry, to be paid out of the lodge funds, for the purpose of getting candidates. Most of the Masons present at the meeting were comparatively new Masons.

RULING: Regulation 109 provides that soliciting petitions for initiation into Masonry is a violation of Masonic law, is contrary to the accepted teaching of the Fraternity, and un-Masonic. This does not mean that it is not proper to invite non-Masons to Masonic suppers, etc. This is often done. However, if such invitation is for the purpose of solicitation, it is contrary to Masonic usage and un-Masonic.

This is an example of the need for instruction in Masonic law and usage to newly-made Masons.

(4) A member of a certain lodge was convicted of driving drunk, and his license was revoked. At the next regular meeting of his lodge, he got up in open lodge and stated that he had committed a Masonic offense, felt that he should acknowledge having done so and apologize therefor, and placed himself subject to the lodge's penal jurisdiction. This was the first such offense. The lodge desired to know if it required to prefer formal charges and try the member.

**RULING:** Drunkenness is a Masonic offense. (Code page 94). Several times in previous decisions, drunkenness has been interpreted as habitual drunkenness after "due admonition and warning" and that a single instance is not sufficient cause to warrant expulsion or suspension. This brother showed due contrition. I advised the lodge that a trial was not necessary since he had admitted the offense in open lodge, and suggested that he be reprimanded in open lodge, which was done.

(5) A petitioner had been elected for the degrees. He presented himself for initiation, as instructed. At this meeting a member of the lodge demanded a second ballot, which was granted, and on which the candidate was rejected.

**RULING:** Any member of the lodge could object when the Master inquired if there were any objections to initiating the candidate. Upon such objection, the exact procedure is laid down in amendment to section 128, page 72, adopted in 1940. Upon objection before initiation, another ballot is taken at the next stated Communication. The objector is not required to give any reason nor does a motion have to be made on it to vote. Only a request in open lodge is necessary. I, therefore, declared the ballot taken at the same night the rejection was made to be illegal and void.

(6) On September 2, 1946, at a stated meeting, two petitions were presented to a lodge, one for degrees and one for membership. The Secretary failed to record in the minutes that the petition for degrees was received, and did not discover the error until the regular meeting on October 7. The minutes of the first meeting were duly approved before said meeting closed. At the meeting of October 7th, the Secretary stated he would change his minutes so as to show the reception of the petition, and the lodge proceeded to ballot on the petition, on which ballot he was rejected. I was asked to rule as to the legality of this ballot.

**RULING:** The petition was not before the lodge, because the minutes of the meeting of September 2, 1946, did not record that such petition had been received. The

minutes had been read and approved at the meeting for which they were written. Regulation 30 specifically provides that "records of the Grand Lodge proceedings when once made and approved, cannot be altered. This also applies to the minutes of the subordinate lodge when the same have been approved by the lodge and signed by the Secretary." It has been heretofore held that "once minutes are approved as true by those making them, they must stand forever," and that "a lodge has no more right to change the minutes of the previous meeting than to change the minutes of a meeting in 1787."

Therefore, the Secretary could not change his minutes, which had been approved, which did not show the reception of this petition, to show that this petition was received. If he could so change the minutes at the next stated communication, he could so change them at any other communication. Therefore, the ballot was illegal, because the petition had not legally been received.

(7) A petitioner was elected and received the first and second degree. He afterwards had a fight with a man who accused him of running around with his wife, after which he lost his job and moved to another town. After a few months he writes his lodge to request it to have another lodge to confer the Master Mason's Degree. The lodge did not wish to do this, and wanted to know what the lodge could do about it. The lodge also wished to know if this letter was to be considered as presenting himself to be raised.

**RULING:** A lodge may or may not, as it sees fit, comply with a request to ask another lodge to confer a degree or degrees by courtesy. The request is made by the lodge.

A candidate must present himself for advancement to the next degree within six months after receiving the preceding degree. Writing a letter to his lodge requesting a lodge to request another lodge to confer a degree on him by courtesy does not constitute presenting himself for advancement, even though such letter is received by the lodge just before the six months expire.

(8) A lodge was asked to endorse as a lodge a resolution by a civic club of the same town having to do with



alleged political chicanery. The lodge desired to know if it was proper for them to do so.

My ruling was the same as the opinion of the District Deputy Grand Master when the matter was presented to him, that the resolution should be supported by all good men as individuals and that if such remedy and relief was needed and desired as this resolution was intended to supply, then every Master Mason is bound to give it his support as an individual citizen, but that such matters were not proper to come before lodge for action as such. The declaration of principles of this Grand Lodge states: "This Grand Lodge affirms its continued adherence to those ancient and approved rules of Freemasonry which forbid the discussion in Masonic lodges or meeting of creeds, politics, or other topics likely to excite personal animosities or personal differences."

The Master of a lodge can rule what is proper or improper to be discussed.

(9) A lodge went to some expense in remodeling the building to be used for the lodge hall. Some of the members desired to defray a part of the cost by operating slot machines in the back room and a bar in the ante-room.

**RULING:** I held this to be clearly illegal and enjoined against it. The law in this Grand Jurisdiction is that "the serving of ale, beer, or intoxicating liquor in any Masonic hall or in the dining, refreshment room, or other rooms connected therewith, at any gathering of Masons in the name of Masonry, is forbidden." Gambling is likewise forbidden.

(10) Upon the reception of a petition on November 5, 1946, by a certain lodge, a committee of investigation was appointed and the petition sent the Grand Secretary for endorsement. Upon its return, the petition was sent to the committee. Two of the committee signed it and mailed it to the third member, who admitted receiving it but lost it. The petitioner signed a new petition. The same recommenders did not sign the recommendation as on the original petition, one of the recommenders being one of the original committee of investigation. The lodge

desired to know if the Master could appoint one new member to serve with the two old ones or should he appoint an entirely new committee.

**RULING:** The Master should appoint one new member to serve with the two old members on the committee of investigation. The Grand Secretary should endorse the petition in lieu of the original one already endorsed. The recommenders should be the same as on the original petition, and the committee of investigation should be the same.

(11) A lodge desired to put on a banquet and have tickets printed with duplicate numbers to be sold to the members of various lodges, each purchaser receiving a ticket which was a chance on a new automobile, to be drawn at the banquet. The lodge asked the approval of this plan.

**RULING:** Approval was denied. Gambling, lotteries, games of chance, door prizes, etc., are specifically prohibited by our law, and this is a lottery, and therefore gambling.

(12) At a meeting on January 3, 1947, a certain lodge balloted on nine petitions for degrees, two applications for membership and one for re-instatement, a total of twelve. Five separate ballot boxes were used, thus permitting five to be balloted on at one time. Mr. "X" was rejected without a second ballot and Mr. "Y" was rejected. During the ballot one very old brother picked up balls from two ballot boxes and dropped them in the box which was that of Mr. "Y," which fact was brought to the attention of the Master by five different members present. The Master declared the ballot with respect to Mr. "Y" illegal, and ordered a second ballot. After the ballot, some of the members left. On the second ballot, Mr. "Y" was elected. It was suggested that the second ballot was illegal on account of the fact that some of the brethren had left.

**RULING:** The Master wrote to inquire if he acted correctly. I advised him that in my opinion he did. The fact that some of the brethren departed from the lodge did not affect any action of business that transpired after

their departing. They had the right and privilege to stay. If anything happened after they left that they were opposed to, they waived their right of opposing it by absenting themselves.

(13) In the petition of a petitioner it is stated that he had previously been rejected by another lodge, giving the date. The lodge to which he petitioned, although in a different town, has concurrent jurisdiction with the lodge in which he was previously rejected. It was desired to know if Regulation 69 applies in such cases as it does with respect to lodges in the same town having concurrent jurisdiction.

**RULING:** Section 69 applies in this case as it does to concurrent lodges in the same city or town. The regulation does not specifically say so, but the intent of the regulation could not be carried out otherwise. Therefore the petitioner will have to wait five years before he can petition a lodge having concurrent jurisdiction with the lodge which he previously petitioned, unless the lodge he first petitioned grants a waiver.

(14) A candidate presented himself for the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. A member of the lodge objected and was advised by the Master to file charges with the Secretary within ten days, as provided in Regulation 282, under Section 128, which the objector stated that he would do. The objector did not file charges within ten days, but did file charges on the fourteenth day. The Master and Secretary refused to accept the charges.

**RULING:** The action of the Master and Secretary is approved. Regulation 282 specifically provides:

"If such charges are not filed within the stated ten (10) days, then the candidate may be advanced as if no objection had been made."

The candidate cannot be objected to on the same charge or charges either by the first objector or another, for to do so could permit of an endless chain of objections on the same charge. Of course, when the candidate presents himself for advancement to the Third Degree again, objection may be made on other charges as provided in the Code.

## STATE OF THE CRAFT

The state of the craft is excellent. Masons are at work about the business of Masonry. Lodges are busy in conferring degrees. Morale is high. More interest is manifested in Masonry by Masons, more non-Masons are showing interest in it, and there is more Masonic activity than I have ever seen. This is caused by several things. The fact that lodges have busied themselves with the primary work of a lodge, the proper conferring of the degrees, by which we teach Masonry, has a large part in it. There are things to do besides conferring degrees, but if lodges properly teach Masonry by properly conferring the degrees in which it is taught, the other good things will stem therefrom, just as certainly as night follows the day.

The challenge to us is to keep this interest alive, keep this enthusiasm sparked, and keep on keeping on. A great heritage has been handed us by those Masons who have wrought in the quarries before us; let us likewise fulfill our obligation to them by handing it down to our posterity better than it came to us. Only by so doing do we measure up to our responsibility as men and as Masons.

If we would make and keep Masonry the living force for good in the world which it ought to be, by which the world will be made infinitely better, let us, by our daily living, exemplify the tenets and principles of this ancient and honorable fraternity, "honorable, as tending in every particular so to render all men who will be conformable to its precepts."

Let us always look toward the hills from whence cometh our strength, and by living our belief in the Brotherhood of Man prove our belief in the Fatherhood of God. Masonry is made up of Masons; it is what Masons are; it is and will always be judged as Masons live it. This we do by erecting, day by day, our moral and spiritual edifices agreeably to the rules and designs laid down by the Master Workman, the Supreme Architect of the Universe, remembering always that "To be good men and true is the first lesson we are taught in Masonry."

Again, I thank you, my brethren for letting me serve you. I have learned Masonry by seeing it in Masons. My association with you, the friends I have made among you, and the privilege and honor that has been mine to be your Grand Master, and to shake your hand and call you brother, are treasures beyond price. There are no finer men to be found than the Masons of North Carolina.

Sincerely and fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Wm. J. Bundy". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "Grand Master."

Grand Master.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

(Docket No. 2)

M. W. J. Wallace Winborne, Past Grand Master, presented the following report of the Board of General Purposes, which was unanimously adopted:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The Board of General Purposes has carefully considered the address of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and begs to submit this report:

The Board offers its warmest congratulations to Grand Master Bundy for the vigorous and effective manner in which he has discharged the onerous duties of his high office. The Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction has been ably and brilliantly served during the administration which is now drawing to a close.

The Board Recommends: (1) That the portion of the address pertaining to the tenure of the office of Grand Master be taken under advisement for future consideration;

(2) That the portions relating to Group Meetings of District Deputy Grand Masters and to District Meetings be referred to the incoming Grand Master.

(3) That the portions in which recommendation is made that special committees be appointed to study, prepare and set up improved forms of ceremony (a) for burial service, (b) for the constitution of new lodges, (c) for the installation of officers of subordinate lodges, (d) for laying of corner stones and (e) for dedicating lodge halls be referred to the incoming Grand Master.

(4) That the portion recommending that serious consideration

be given to the matter of an official publication, and that the incoming Grand Master be authorized to refer the matter to a committee for study, etc., is also referred to the incoming Grand Master.

(5) That the portions dealing with the subjects of "Proficiency in the Third Degree," "Taking Degrees" and "Higher or Advanced Degrees" be referred to the Code Commission.

(6) That the part relating to the Grand Lecturer, and all other parts pertaining to matters of finance are referred to the Finance Committee.

(7) That all parts relating to Masonic Law and procedure are referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

(8) That the portions relating to the Oxford Orphanage and to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, respectively, are referred to the respective committees on those institutions.

(9) That while we are not in accord with the suggested plan that \$1.00 be paid by each newly made Mason with the initiation fee as a contribution to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial at Alexandria, Va., we refer the matter of this Grand Lodge making a contribution for consideration by the Finance Committee.

(10) That all parts dealing with other matters which require consideration by committees are referred to the appropriate committee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WALLACE WINBORNE, *P. G. M.,*  
*Chairman,*

WATSON N. SHERROD, *P. G. M.,*

THOMAS J. HARKINS, *P. G. M.,*

H. M. POTEAT, *P. G. M.,*

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

April 15, 1947.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

(Docket No. 3)

M. W. Watson N. Sherrod, Past Grand Master, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"RESOLVED, That the report of the Finance Committee shall be the order of business at 8:00 p. m., Wednesday, following the election of Grand Officers, and

"RESOLVED, *Further*, That all resolutions, motions, and reports asking or carrying appropriations and expenditures shall be placed before the Grand Lodge before 12:00 o'clock, noon, Wednesday, and,



"RESOLVED, *Further*, That all such matters offered after 12:00 o'clock, noon, Wednesday, be carried over to the Communication of 1948."

## ADDRESS BY THE GRAND ORATOR

(Docket No. 4)

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

As we assemble in the One Hundred and Sixtieth Annual Communication of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, let us convene in the spirit of consecration to Masonic belief and teachings, and in the spirit of adoration and gratitude to Almighty God, our Supreme Grand Master, for His loving kindnesses and everlasting mercies and wonderful works unto the children of men. Let us come with the prayer of Isaac Watts in our hearts:

*O God our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast  
And our eternal home.*

*Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God,  
To endless years the same.*

*Under the shadow of Thy throne  
Still may we dwell secure,  
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,  
And our defense is sure.*

*O God our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guide while life shall last,  
And our eternal home.*

In this atomic age fraught with uncertainty, fear, and potential tragedy for mankind, when the forces of Communism and Materialism are seeking to desecrate the spiritual temple of civilization, Masonry is face to face with a solemn challenge and a holy crusade to defend and preserve our heritage of Christianity, freedom, and democracy. We must accept this challenge and march forth in this crusade with a valiant spirit and an invincible

faith, knowing that our cause is just and that we fight for the faith of our fathers and the dignity and brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God. With spiritual Wisdom, intellectual Strength, and moral Beauty, let us march forth united against the spiritual vandals seeking to pillage and pollute the Temple of our Faith.

As Americans and Masons we are proud of our heritage of freedom and democracy. We rejoice with gratitude in our hearts that most of the valiant patriots who helped lay the foundations of our Republic were members of our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity. More than fifty of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, several of our Presidents and judges, and many of our most distinguished statesmen, ministers, bishops, business men, poets, and writers once knelt at our holy altar to be initiated into the rites of Masonry.

Doctor Benjamin Franklin presided in the Masonic Chair at Philadelphia over the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Pennsylvania, and by his patriotic and glorious life exemplified the sublime principles of Freemasonry, laboring diligently to place our beloved country in the temple of liberty and to help establish representative self-government and free enterprise among our people.

In the dark crisis of the American Revolution when the flame of liberty was flickering low, George Washington appeared as if sent by our Supreme Grand Master of the Universe to lead our infant country against the forces of tyranny and to help establish freedom and to guide our nation to a glorious destiny among the great family of nations. General Washington was made a Freemason, in due and ancient form, soon after he became of age, at the city of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and studied Freemasonry as a science. On the 18th of September, 1793, the cornerstone of our national capitol was laid, as the old chronicle reads, "by our Worshipful Brother, George Washington, wearing the sash and apron that had been wrought by the hands of the wife of the great patriot and Freemason, the Marquis de Lafayette.

The monument of Bunker Hill reminds us of the valor and patriotism of Joseph Warren, the first Grand

Master of Massachusetts, renowned as a Freemason and illustrious as a soldier, who was the first to lose his life in the American Revolution in the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Among the early patriots of our country and illustrious patrons of Masonry were Hamilton, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Hancock, Samuel Adams, Patrick Henry, Clinton, Livingstone, Marshall, and Jackson.

These distinguished and eminent brethren of our Fraternity labored with diligence and devotion to apply the holy principles of Masonry to human relationships and to establish a nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to equity and justice.

We are proud and grateful that our American heritage is based upon the Ten Commandments, the Sermon on the Mount, Magna Charta, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States, the Emancipation Proclamation, and all the immortal documents proclaiming human freedom and the dignity and worth of the individual. Democracy is a political expression of Christianity. And Christianity is the saving grace of our civilization. As Americans and Masons it is our cardinal duty to enlist in the crusade to preserve our American heritage, and to keep our country free from the moral contamination of Communism and Materialism.

Communism is a way of life based on a ruthless one party totalitarian dictatorship with unlimited power, resting on coercion and violence, and not on law and morality. It means the suppression of personal liberties, and it employs the terror and brutality of the secret police and concentration camp. It is a malignant virus infecting the bloodstream of the world with atheism, hatred, contempt for the dignity of man, and international suspicion and conflict. It denies God and repudiates Christianity, and despises free enterprise, representative government, and the American way of life. It is an evil plague creeping over the earth like a slimy serpent seeking to blight and wither our Christian civilization. As Mr. J. Edgar Hoover says, we must destroy the poison of Communism in this nation, or be destroyed by it. Let us remember that Masonry says with Thomas Jefferson:

"I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man."

As Free and Accepted Masons we believe in Friendship, Morality, and Brotherly Love, the practice of charity and benevolence, the protection of chastity, the respect for the ties of blood and friendship, the adoption of the principles of religion, assistance to the feeble, guidance to the blind, the relief for the oppressed, a shelter for the orphan, in guarding the altar, supporting our government, in the promotion of learning, in the love of man and the fear of God.

We believe in the way of life based upon the will of the majority, in free institutions, in representative government, in free elections, guarantees of individual liberty, freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and freedom from every form of tyranny over the human mind.

Communism stands resolutely and unalterably opposed to our Masonic belief and teaching and to the philosophy of American government and culture. Therefore, it is our patriotic and Masonic duty to buckle on the armor of our faith and go forth to vanquish the principalities of darkness seeking to extinguish the light of Masonry and human freedom.

The philosophy of Materialism with its emphasis upon the supremacy of matter, its denial of the immateriality of the soul and the spiritual interpretation of life, has brought moral deterioration to mankind. The philosophers of Materialism and naturalism look upon the universe as a mechanism, cold, impersonal, cruel, without mind and heart and will. Such philosophers as Bertrand Russell contemplate the universe as an accidental collocation of atoms, destined to extinction in the vast death of the solar system. On man and all of his creations the slow, sure doom falls, pitiless and cruel. This Materialism blinds man to the spiritual significance, the moral imperatives, and the divine purpose of life and the universe. It corrodes the spirit of man and fills him with unutterable spiritual loneliness and destitution. Our worship before the shrine of Mammon has filled us with despair and has produced distorted personalities and an age

of frustration and moral retrogression. We have become lost in the labyrinth of the sense and in the perishable glamor of secular pursuits and vanities.

The American family is disintegrating from the impact of the tidal waves of Materialism and Secularism. And we are witnessing an increase in national lawlessness, crime, immorality, and juvenile and adult delinquency. John Hayes Holmes in a recent radio broadcast said: "Our society is sick. Our social order is going to pieces." Dr. Carle Zimmerman, Harvard Sociologist, says, "Evidence indicates that our middle class family system has reached its maximum demoralization (or will very soon). . . . If left alone the family system will break up before the end of the century." Thomas Mann in his "Culture and Politics" affirms: "Outwardly we live in an epoch of retrograde civilization, wherein treaties are worthless, lawlessness and disloyalty are the contagious mode."

Thus we must vigorously assert ourselves as men and Masons to help prevent the complete demoralization of the American family. If our American home decays and collapses our American civilization will perish from the earth. Let us remember the words of the Editor of Life Magazine: "The strongest foundation of Christian society and the Christian family is a Christian conscience and a Christian heart."

Let us arise with inflexible determination and Masonic zeal to help preserve the morality and spiritual health of our society, and to help protect the sanctity of the American home and family.

It is good to be mentally proficient in Masonry and to be able to commit to memory the Masonic catechisms and rituals. This is highly commendable and essential to creative Masonic work. But let us remember that the supreme duty of the Mason is to be morally progressive and spiritually efficient and to commit the catechisms of Masonry to life.

Let us not allow our fraternity to degenerate into an organization of fruitless formalities and empty ceremonies without the moral power to ennoble and dignify human conduct. Let us beware of external pomp without

internal power, a show of magnificence without a display of morality. Let us not be guilty of Pharisaism with formal pretensions to superior sanctity while our hearts are empty of virtue and truth and our lives devoid of deeds of mercy and righteousness. Let our fraternity be an order that is creative, dynamic, morally aggressive and forever active in the common redemption of the world from ignorance, error, and folly. Let us remember the words of our blessed Lord: "Not everyone that sayeth Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my father which is in heaven."

Masonry is a moral science in search of truth employing symbols as its method of instruction. Therefore, we who are Masons should be moral scientists working in our Masonic laboratories to help preserve the moral health and sanity of mankind.

As men and Masons who love the glories and verities of the Christian faith, let us stand with indomitable fortitude arrayed against the infidelities of Materialism. We stand upon the holy ground of our fathers to battle for the glory of the Lord and for the preservation of our altars and our homes.

We go forth in our Masonic crusade to help save our country from the tyranny of Communism and the corruption of Materialism, not with swords loud clashing and roll of stirring drums, not with bayonets and bombs, please God, but with moral implements and spiritual weapons, undergirded and armored with the living presence of the God of our fathers.

Our supreme spiritual weapon shall be our faith in the Eternal God. The first and chief of Masonic affirmations is our belief and faith in God, the Supreme Architect of our destiny and salvation.

This faith is the cornerstone of our Masonic edifice and spiritual temple. Our eyes are fixed upon the blazing star of God's eternal providence as we traverse the mosaic pavement of life surrounded by the indented tessellations of blessings and comforts.

Those who would kneel at our altar to be initiated into the rites of Masonry must first give expression to



their belief in the existence of God. It is a landmark of the Order that no atheist can be made a Mason. The belief in the existence of God was the cornerstone on which our originals thought it expedient to place the foundation of Masonry. The religion of Masonry is cosmopolitan and universal, but the required belief in God is not incompatible with this universality. God is equally present with the pious Hindu in the Temple, the Jew in the Synagogue, the Mohammedan in the Mosque, and the Christian in the Church. Masonry teaches that a man may worship God according to the voice of his conscience and personal conviction, and not according to any external authority or ecclesiastical hierarchy.

Masonry holds no communion with the atheist. Under the keystone of her glorious arch is suspended the initial letter of His name who laid the foundation of the universe, spread out the heavens as a curtain, fastened the swinging stars in their places, created man with an immortal soul, and blessed him with spiritual aspirations. God is the Eternal Beneficence and the Immutable Wisdom of the universe, our abiding home amidst the fluctuating vanities of this perishable world. Against the mortality and transitoriness of man there is set in bold and blessed relief the timelessness and eternity of God. The soul in harmony with God has passed beyond the dark squares in our checkered floor and found the true source of comfort for all the adversities and tribulations of life. Thus we sing with the poet of the Eternal: "Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God."

And we can sing with Robert Browning:

*"If I stoop into  
A dark tremendous sea of cloud,  
It is but for a time;  
I press God's lamp close to my breast;  
Its splendor soon or late  
Shall pierce the gloom  
And I shall emerge one day."*

And we can say with Whittier, the good Quaker poet:

*"Within the maddening maze of things,  
And tossed by storm and flood,  
To one fixed trust my spirit clings,  
I know that God is good.*

*"I know not what the future hath  
Of marvel and surprise,  
Assured alone that life and death  
His mercy underlies.*

*"And if my heart and flesh are weak  
To bear an untried pain,  
The bruised reed He will not break,  
But strengthen and sustain.*

*"And so beside the silent sea  
I wait the muffled oar;  
No harm from Him can come to me  
On ocean or on shore.*

*"I know not where His islands lift  
Their fronded palms in air;  
I only know I cannot drift  
Beyond His love and care."*

As we march forward in our crusade for the preservation of our American heritage let us have the unwavering faith expressed by the great prophet Isaiah: "Hast thou not known? Hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? There is no searching of His understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength . . . They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint!

We need to have the sublime vision of Isaiah to behold the majesty of God reigning in beauty and holiness over the universe. Man must have his heart filled with the beauty of God if he would have spiritual mastery over the material forces of the universe. There must be a spiritual awakening with God taking complete possession of

human hearts or man will go forward to doom to mingle his dust with Nineveh and Tyre. The spiritual renaissance must come to the world if man is to direct atomic energy into channels of creative service and beneficent enterprises for humanity. General Dwight Eisenhower said: "Unless America experiences a moral and spiritual regeneration, we shall all disappear in the dust of an atomic explosion!" General Douglas MacArthur said: "It must be of the spirit, if we are to save the flesh!" And Woodrow Wilson expressed this truth long ago when he said: "Mankind cannot survive materially unless it be redeemed spiritually!"

As we advance our Masonic mission for the preservation of our heritage may the immortal hymn of Martin Luther become our marching song:

*"A mighty fortress is our God,  
A bulwark never failing,  
Our helper he amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing!"*

Sustained by a victorious faith, inspired by the memory of the faith and valor of our fathers, and dedicated to the holy cause of our Christian heritage and Masonry let us go forward to labor with God in His redemption of man from the tyranny of evil and in the creation of a new heaven and a new earth in which man shall do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with his God, and erect his spiritual temple agreeably to the rules and designs laid down by the Supreme Grand Master of all good craftsmen on the trestleboard of His redeeming love.

M. W. BROTHER A. J. M. WANNAMAKER

THE GRAND MASTER: Brethren, I am now happy to recognize, and I know you are happy for me to do so, the Grand Master from our sister Grand Jurisdiction to the South, who has favored us with his presence this evening. He will be unable to remain during our sessions, due to Masonic business within his own jurisdiction. We are glad he is here, and we welcome him in the name of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and in welcoming him here, we extend through him the greetings of the

Masons in North Carolina to those in his jurisdiction. Most Worshipful Brother A. J. M. Wannamaker, Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina!

M. W. BROTHER A. J. M. WANNAMAKER: Most Worshipful Grand Master, distinguished Brethren, and Brother Craftsmen of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, I have thought for many years that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina could not open unless Frank Hart, from South Carolina, was here to help. Last year, we deliberately planned to miss your Communication to see how you fared. I want to say now that you have done very well. We have reached the stage that we can wean you. I believe that now The Grand Lodge of North Carolina can go ahead and conduct its meetings without the Grand Lodge Officers of South Carolina coming over to assist. Brethren, I would like to digress for one minute and ask that the Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1, in Wilmington, stand.

(W. Brother J. Knight Davis, Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1, stood.)

M. W. BROTHER A. J. M. WANNAMAKER: Brother Davis, I want you, when you go back to Wilmington, to carry my message to those in Wilmington. I spent fourteen months in Wilmington, and I want to tell you that you Masons in Wilmington are real Masons. You practice your Masonry, not only in the lodge, but outside, and that is where I enjoyed my North Carolina Masonry most, by the real fellowship of those Masons in and around Wilmington. Brethren, I had to bring that in, personally.

W. BROTHER J. KNIGHT DAVIS: Most Worshipful Sir, we are delighted that you found Masonry around Wilmington so much to your liking, and would be happy for you to visit us again.

M. W. BROTHER A. J. M. WANNAMAKER: Some twelve years ago, I think, I attended my first meeting of the Grand Lodge here. After that I lived in Wilmington in 1941 and 1942, and I learned to love you North Carolinians as much as the Masons in my own State. You have a great Masonry. I might say, in passing, that

in mentioning the problems your Grand Master has brought up in his address, that had I closed my eyes and changed the words slightly, your problems would have been identical to the problems I reported to my Grand Lodge last month.

We in South Carolina, like you in North Carolina, are definitely on the march. We in Masonry have a job to do. It is not so much in your Masonic Lodge, it is not so much in your ritualistic work, as it is throughout your whole jurisdiction in your daily contacts with your Brother Masons and the world at large. "By their works ye shall know them." Brethren, that is how Masonry is judged. We know that we are the only true democratic organization in the world today. We know that when we enter a lodge, there is never a difference between Masons, other than a difference in interpretation. We know that all of our differences can be settled by the highest court of the land—mankind; and by the highest law that has ever been written—God's Law. It is contained in that Great Holy Book in front of you, and you can turn to the first page, and take the first four words; take them out into your daily life and always practice them, and you can remember that there will be no criticism of you as a Mason. These four words are, "In the beginning, God."

Brethren, I was somewhat surprised that your Grand Master recognized me after his Grand Orator, but it gave me the opportunity to deliver my message to you. I have enjoyed every minute I have been here, and I want to apologize for coming to one session and then leaving. However, in South Carolina, our York Rite Grand Bodies meet at the same time as your Grand Lodge, and at the present time I am an officer in the Grand Chapter and the Grand Commandery of South Carolina; so, that is the reason I had to make my trip so hurriedly.

Now, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I would like for you to summon to the East Most Worshipful Brother Hubert M. Poteat.

THE GRAND MASTER: Will Brother Poteat come to the East?

## PRESENTATION OF ALBERT GALLATIN MACK- EY MEDAL TO PAST GRAND MASTER POTEAT

M. W. BROTHER A. J. M. WANNAMAKER: Brethren, for many years, I have known Brother Poteat casually and at times, one might say, intimately, but more than that, Brother Poteat has rendered a service to Masonry in the United States that we in South Carolina have recognized.

Some ten years ago, the Grand Lodge of South Carolina adopted the Albert Gallatin Mackey Medal, to be awarded to such Masons as were deemed worthy to wear it for rendering outstanding service over and beyond the call of duty to Masonry of the World. Tonight, I want to bestow this medal upon Brother Poteat, and it is the tenth time it has been awarded. Most Worshipful Brother Hubert M. Poteat, by the power in me vested as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina, it is my honor to present to you the Albert Gallatin Mackey Medal, and I hope you will always wear it with pleasure.

M. W. BROTHER HUBERT M. POTEAT: Most Worshipful Brother Wannamaker, I have never been more surprised in my life, and I do not think I can say what I would like to say. Thank you, Sir! I shall value this tribute as long as I live, and I hope you will take back to my Brethren in South Carolina the assurance of my warmest gratitude.

THE GRAND MASTER: Most Worshipful Sir, Brother Wannamaker, in honoring our Past Grand Master Hubert Poteat, you have honored the Masons in North Carolina, by whom he is warmly esteemed, and as he personally appreciates it, we join with him in expressing our appreciation. We are glad that you could be with us.

## PRESENTATION OF JOSEPH MONTFORT MEDALS

THE GRAND MASTER: Now, Brethren, a number of years ago The Grand Lodge of North Carolina adopted an official medal, known as the Joseph Montfort Medal, to be presented by the Grand Master to the Mason of his choice for outstanding and meritorious Masonic service.



I have here a Joseph Montfort Medal that I have seen fit to award, and I think properly and rightly. As I mentioned in my address, the work that the Masons and the sisters of the Eastern Star are doing at Greensboro is something that we are deeply proud of, and a large part of its success is attributable to the man who puts his life, his love and his soul in it, and that is George R. Bennette, who has been Superintendent for a long time. That is all I can say. I deem that kind of service that he renders to be as great a service as can be given, and because of that I am awarding him the Joseph Montfort Medal.

I am very happy, George, to award this medal to you, because you deserve it.

BROTHER GEORGE R. BENNETTE: Most Worshipful Grand Master, I recall very vividly the thrill I received some years ago as I stood in Enfield Lodge No. 447, as its youngest Entered Apprentice, and for the first time read a copy of the commission issued by the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, making Joseph Montfort, of Halifax, N. C., the Provincial Grand Master of Masons of and for America. He has ever been, in my opinion, one of the most outstanding Masons of the world.

It is with a deep sense of unworthiness and humility that I received from your hands this distinguished award. I am just one of the little fellows in the Fraternity, endeavoring in my small way to do my little bit, and am happy in doing what I can.

I want to express to you my most sincere thanks for your kindness in selecting me to receive the Joseph Montford Award. I assure you that I would rather receive it from you than from any other living Mason.

THE GRAND MASTER: I mentioned in my report the service that Grand Secretary Wilbur L. McIver has rendered. I am in position to know that he has applied himself with assiduity to the numerous and onerous tasks of his office. Every night and Saturday afternoons are put in, attempting to overcome insurmountable tasks which pile up in his office. No man in North Carolina

has worked harder during the last year, not only because it is his job, but because he is a Mason and loves Masonry and Masons. And, in token of recognition of this service, I am happy to award you, Wilbur, the Joseph Montfort Medal.

R. W. WILBUR L. MCIVER: Most Worshipful Grand Master, I did have something to say, but after those gracious words of yours, I do not know what to say. In riding with you over the State, I learned never to know what to expect. I fully realize that any service which I may have rendered to Masonry is not due to me, but to others; one, my Father; another, a certain Professor of Latin at Wake Forest College (Past Grand Master Hubert M. Poteat); another, a certain Professor of Law at Wake Forest College (Past Grand Master Edgar W. Timberlake); another is a certain Grand Marshal of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina (William H. White) who raised me to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason; and then, later, I learned to love a certain Past Grand Master, a Chairman of a Code Commission, etc., (Past Grand Master Charles B. Newcomb) whom all of you love. And then, during this past year, I was more or less driven to render service to Masonry by a certain Grand Master, with whom I rode and served. By these and others, I have been inspired to work in Masonry.

I am most grateful to you for selecting me for this great honor. I thank you, Sir!

THE GRAND MASTER: I will now recognize Past Grand Master Hubert M. Poteat who will present Most Worshipful Brother Carl H. Claudy.

M. W. BROTHER HUBERT M. POTEAT: We are honored, tonight, by the presence of a man who has, in deed and in truth, earned the wages of a Master. He has been a Mason more than forty years, and during that time he has brought out an impressive series of Masonic accomplishments. As Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, as the author of more than a dozen Masonic books, several volumes dealing with the explanation of the symbolism of Masonry, Masonic plays, and he has prepared and distributed do-

zens of digests upon vital Masonic subjects, digests which have been valuable sources of material and information for American Grand Lodges. He has been responsible for the magnificent service rendered during the War to Masonic Service endeavors, and the finer service of the Masonic Hospital Service program.

Brethren, on the basis of actual Masonic work and achievement and accomplishment, this Brother is the Number One Mason of North America, and I am honored to present to this Grand Lodge, Most Worshipful Brother Carl Harry Claudy, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, 33°, Knight Templar, and Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

M. W. BROTHER CARL H. CLAUDY: Most Worshipful Grand Master, my very dear and enthusiastic friend, and my Brethren of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Not long ago, I had the opportunity of taking my wife to the Natural Bridge in Virginia. Many of you have seen that bridge. As Mrs. Claudy does not walk very well, due to advancing arthritis, I selected myself a guide, as can only be found in the South, kinky of hair and very dark of complexion. I said to him, "Uncle, can you show us around the Park?" and he said he could. We saw the sights and the place where Washington had secured saltpeter for the manufacture of gunpowder. At the end of fifteen minutes we were back where we started. I wanted to express my gratitude. I said to our guide, "What is the average you get for service like this?" He replied that it was a dollar, but it seemed a little high to me, but I produced and handed him the dollar. He said, "Thank you, Boss, thank you. You are the only gentleman in my experience who has done reached the average."

Now, my Brethren, my delightful old friend, Hubert, has put before you a mighty high average for a man to reach. I have reached the average of most Masonic accomplishment. There are hundreds, if not thousands, of men who could have done the same thing I did with the same opportunity, because it is opportunity that makes men.

Your great and good Grand Master has told me I may have ten or fifteen minutes to talk about your Masonic Service Association, about the service centers in foreign countries. At the present time, the men for whom the War is not yet over are the men whom the Masonic Service Association is trying to reach with help in the emergency in which they find themselves. Last year, we were in touch with a half million men in government hospitals, a service which has received the gratitude of the Army, Navy and Veterans' Administration, covered by a special directive.

Frequently, I am told, "Do not duplicate the service given by the Red Cross, by the Knights of Columbus and by others" and I can assure you we duplicate no other organization's service. All of those others are good organizations. I do not have to tell Americans what the Red Cross is, but I do tell you that the Masonic Service Association is the only organization devoted to individual and personal wants of the patients. We sponsor educational programs and are asked to engage in parties for the morale of the patients, but our service is the only service that no other government agency does. We give a great many small gifts away and nothing has ever been sold by the Masonic Service Association. There are many things we do that the nurses and attendants, as well as members of other organizations, do not do. And it does not make any difference what a patient wants, if we can get him what he wants, we give it to him. There are things we cannot get, such as electric razors for blind veterans, but we let it be known that we wanted the electric razors for this purpose, and we received over a thousand. So, what we cannot buy, we make, and if we cannot make it, we come back and ask you for it.

I would be entirely false to the trust which you have placed in me, as the servant of Freemasonry, if I did not tell you that the work we are doing in hospitals is Masonic work, but it is not confined to Masons. There is no field agent who goes in and asks if there is a Mason in the Hospital, and then goes to him and gives him something. The field agent goes into a ward and helps every man who is in need of his help. We can write to his fami-

ly, to his lodge or do other things, but just because he has no religion at all and has never heard of Masonry, makes no difference if he is a wounded service man. Now, that is the thesis on which we have proceeded in all the hospitals in which we work. But, man after man has said to our field agent, "What is this Masonry you represent? How do you do it?"

Last year, you gave some \$4,000.00 for the starving brethren in Europe, who must live on less than 1000 calories a day. You all eat between three and four and a half thousand calories a day. Now, these \$4,000.00 you gave, and the check after check from your generous lodges, bought over 4,000 tons of food, and all of it was sent to the Masons in these countries. I have been literally flooded with letters from men over there who tell me of saving the life of a wife and children. I wish it were possible for me to bring those letters with me, and wish it were possible for me to let you see what has been done.

Now, my Brethren, there are men in the hospitals all over the United States who will be there for a long time, and there are men who will never come out, except feet first. And in the battlefields of the world there are countless thousands. The great philosopher Maeterlink says, "When you think of the dead, they come out of their sleep." I would like to think that they are walking around us, smiling and happy to be with us, as Masons. I would like to state to the living in the hospitals that we remember them. I can state to those who are dead, if they are here, "Brethren, we do remember, we do remember."

THE GRAND MASTER: Thank you, Brother Claudy. Because of the things Hubert has stated here, and which I know you have done, I honor myself, Sir, in presenting this Joseph Montfort Medal to you.

M. W. BROTHER CARL H. CLAUDY: Most Worshipful Sir, I do not know how to express my appreciation. Hospitality can go no further. Like Brother Wannamaker, I have to go away tonight on Masonic business, because I have to make a report to The Grand Lodge of New Jersey tomorrow. You have crowded me with hospitality.

You have pressed food and drink upon me. Please consider that Carl Claudy takes away from North Carolina and his friends here a heart filled with appreciation.

THE GRAND MASTER: I am happy that you could come here.

### THE FILM, "TO AID AND ASSIST"

THE GRAND MASTER: We are soon going to close for the evening, but I want to make this announcement. The Masonic Service Association's film, "To Aid and Assist", which many of you have seen in the many places it has been shown in the State, and which I have seen about ten times myself, will be shown here immediately after we go from Labor to Refreshment, for those who wish to see it. It is an excellent picture, well portrayed and acted, a sound picture lasting between thirty-five and forty minutes. If any of you wish to use it for Masonic gatherings hereafter, get in touch with the Grand Secretary.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

(Docket No. 5)

The Grand Treasurer made the following report which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge  
of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

Herewith I submit to you my thirteenth report as your Grand Treasurer as of December 31, 1946.

On Hand—January 1, 1946-----	\$ 55,731.58
Received from the Grand Secretary-----	144,855.88
Interest Received from Bank Balances-----	158.44
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	\$200,745.90
Less Vouchers of Grand Secretary, Paid--\$172,595.67	
Bank Activity Charges-----	4.76
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	\$172,600.43
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	\$ 28,145.47

These funds are on deposit in the following Banks:

Commercial National Bank, Charlotte, N. C.-----	\$ 3,963.87
Wachovia Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, N. C.-----	3,999.41
Industrial Loan & Investment Bank, Charlotte, N. C.---	10,182.19
Durham Bank & Trust Company, Durham, N. C.-----	10,000.00

Respectfully submitted, \$ 28,145.47

(Signed) H. C. ALEXANDER, *Grand Treasurer.*



## REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

(Docket No. 6)

The Grand Secretary presented the following report, which was received, entered on the record and referred to the Committees on Finance and Masonic Jurisprudence:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

BRETHREN:

I herewith submit my Annual Report as Grand Secretary, for the year ending December 31, 1946.

## RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES—1946

## LODGES:

Per Cap. Tax, etc., for prior years-----	\$ 1,823.50	
Per Cap. Tax, etc., for current year--	132,591.50	
Per Cap. Tax, etc., paid in advance----	2,392.50	
		\$136,807.50

## MISCELLANEOUS:

Fees for Dispensations (5)-----	\$ 250.00	
Fees for Charters (2)-----	60.00	
Grand Lodge Demits-----	325.00	
Sale of Books: Bahnson Manuals-----	3,237.30	
Introduction to Freemasonry (Claudy)-	831.60	
Codes (1924 Consti. with Regulations)-	28.00	
Andrews' Digest of N. C. Masonic Law-	2.00	
"Lodge System of Masonic Education"-	25.25	
Insurance—Charter Damaged in Mail---	5.00	
Refunds:		
Return Pre. Bond of J. H. Anderson--	30.93	
Audit Expense -----	385.00	
Lecture Service -----	35.00	
Framing Charter -----	1.50	
Imprinting Charters -----	20.00	
Lodge Seal -----	6.00	
John C. Drewry Gr. Sec. Mem. Fund----	1,966.95	
Bahnson Manual Account-----	920.39	
		\$ 8,129.92

Gross Receipts -----	\$144,937.42
Less: Exchange on non-par Checks-----	81.54
Net Receipts -----	\$144,855.88

All of the above (\$144,855.88) was delivered to the Grand Treasurer as follows:

DATE	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT
January 15, 1946-----	1	\$ 5,000.00
January 18, 1946-----	2	5,000.00
January 21, 1946-----	3	5,000.00

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

DATE	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT
January 24, 1946-----	4	\$ 5,000.00
January 29, 1946-----	5	5,000.00
February 4, 1946-----	6	5,000.00
February 6, 1946-----	7	5,000.00
February 9, 1946-----	8	5,000.00
February 14, 1946-----	9	5,000.00
February 15, 1946-----	10	5,000.00
February 19, 1946-----	11	5,000.00
February 20, 1946-----	12	5,000.00
February 23, 1946-----	13	5,000.00
February 25, 1946-----	14	5,000.00
February 26, 1946-----	15	5,000.00
March 1, 1946-----	16	5,000.00
March 1, 1946-----	17	5,000.00
March 2, 1946-----	18	5,000.00
March 2, 1946-----	19	5,000.00
March 9, 1946-----	20	5,000.00
March 13, 1946-----	21	5,000.00
March 18, 1946-----	22	5,000.00
March 25, 1946-----	23	5,000.00
March 27, 1946-----	24	5,000.00
April 3, 1946-----	25	5,000.00
April 16, 1946-----	26	5,000.00
July 30, 1946-----	27	5,000.00
November 20, 1946-----	28	5,000.00
December 28, 1946-----	29	4,855.88
Total-----		\$144,855.88

ITEM	BUDGET	VOUCHERS
Oxford Orphanage -----	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Masonic and Eastern Star Home-----	13,500.00	13,500.00
Charity -----	1,000.00	695.00
Grand Secretary, Salary-----	3,600.00	3,600.00
Grand Treasurer, Salary-----	150.00	150.00
Grand Tiler, Salary (1945 and 1946)*-----	25.00	* 50.00
Clerical Help -----	4,800.00	4,913.50
Masonic Service Association, Dues-----	950.00	950.00
Grand Masters' Conference, Dues-----	60.00	60.00
Grand Secretaries' Conference, Dues-----	10.00	10.00
Masonic Relief Association, Dues-----	140.00	156.65
Grand Master's Expense-----	1,000.00	1,000.00
Grand Secretary's Travel Expense-----	600.00	600.00
Grand Treasurer's Office Expense-----	150.00	150.00
Foreign Correspondent -----	300.00	300.00
Deputy Grand Master's Travel Expense--	200.00	50.00
Grand Lecturers -----	4,800.00	3,993.24
Auditing Expense -----	600.00	560.00
Bond Premium -----	125.00	81.57

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ITEM	BUDGET	VOUCHERS
Printing Proceeding -----	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,060.59
Grand Masters' Conference, Gr. Master--	75.00	
Grand Masters' Conference, Gr. Sec.-----	75.00	35.22
Grand Masters' Conference, D. G. Master--	75.00	50.00
Visiting Other Gr. Lodges, Gr. Master---	75.00	
Visiting Other Grand Lodge, Grand Sec.---	75.00	
Visiting Other Grand Lodges, D. G. M.---	75.00	35.00
Geo. Washington Mas. Nat. Mem. Asso.---	50.00	27.00
Masonic Service Association-----	30.00	27.00
Rent -----	1,050.00	1,058.75
Office Expenses -----	1,000.00	1,464.85
Office Equipment -----	1,275.00	1,413.62
Annual Com., Grand Officers' Expense--	400.00	‡ 463.70
Annual Com., P. Gr. Officers' Expense---	300.00	‡ 216.38
Annual Com., D. D. G. M.'s' Expense-----	700.00	‡ 1,231.48
Annual Com., Custodians and Lecturers--	150.00	55.72
Annual Com., Others-----	50.00	‡ 108.81
Annual Com., Credentials Committee----	30.00	‡ 60.00
Past Grand Master's Jewel (2 Jewels)---	100.00	144.77
Grand Master's Apron (2 Aprons)-----	50.00	104.16
D. D. G. M.'s, Visiting Lodges-----	1,500.00	892.26
Contingent -----	2,000.00	1,685.72
Printing Code -----	1,000.00	
Code Commission -----	500.00	571.55
Educational Committee -----	100.00	
Custodians -----	1,200.00	1,021.20
Masonic Service Asso., Service Centers--	2,500.00	2,500.00
Mas. Ser. Ass'n. Relief European Masonry	3,000.00	3,000.00
Geo. Washington Mas. Nat'l. Mem. Ass'n--	3,500.00	3,500.00
Grand Secretary Emeritus-----	1,200.00	1,200.00
Special Janitor Service for Library-----	100.00	
Claudy Books -----		1,813.79
Bahnson Manuals -----		1,695.75
Federal Withholding Tax-----		276.50
Petty Cash -----		50.00
Items paid by Grand Treasurer; later re-		
funded and credited to Exp. Acc'ts--		93.43
Transferred to the Foundation		
for investment -----		65,000.00
	<u>\$106,545.00</u>	<u>\$172,677.21</u>
Less: Exchange on Non-Par Checks paid		
by Grand Secretary and not included		
in Disbursements of the Gr. Treasurer		81.54
Total-----	<u>\$106,545.00</u>	<u>\$172,595.67</u>

(NOTE: Items indicated thus (\*) include expenses of both the 1946 Annual Communication and the Special Communication on September 11, 1946.)

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHARTERS

No charters were either arrested or surrendered during 1946.

The charter of Temple Lodge No. 676 was issued on April 17, 1946, and delivered, the Grand Secretary later accompanying the Grand Master to the outstanding meeting at which this Lodge was constituted. A facsimile of that charter will be found at page 158 of the Proceedings of 1946.

The charter of Warsaw Lodge No. 677 was issued on April 17, 1946, and delivered, the Grand Secretary later likewise accompanying the Grand Master to the meeting at which this Lodge was constituted. A facsimile of that charter will be found at page 162 of the Proceedings of 1946.

### DISPENSATIONS FOR LODGES U. D.

On June 21st, 1946, a Dispensation was issued and delivered to thirty-four brethren for the establishment of Providence Lodge U. D., to be located at Columbia in Tyrrell County.

On July 30, 1946, a Dispensation was issued and delivered to forty-nine brethren for the establishment of Creasy Proctor Lodge U. D., to be located at Fayetteville in Cumberland County. The first meeting of Creasy Proctor Lodge U. D., was held Tuesday, August 6, 1946.

On December 21, 1946, a Dispensation was issued and delivered to twenty-four brethren for the establishment of Semper Fidelis Lodge U. D., to be located at Midway Park in Onslow County. The first meeting of Semper Fidelis Lodge U. D., was held Monday, December 23, 1946.

On February 28, 1947, a Dispensation was issued and delivered to fifty brethren for the establishment of Piedmont Lodge U. D., to be located at High Point in Guilford County. The first meeting of Piedmont Lodge U. D., was held Friday, February 28, 1947.

### ESTIMATE OF MEMBERSHIP

As of December 31, 1946

Number of Master Masons reported as of Dec. 31, 1945	35,014
Number Net Corrections in Annual Returns for 1945	56

CORRECTED total as of December 31, 1945	35,070
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ADD: Gains in 1946—

Number INITIATED	4,635	
Number PASSED	4,320	
Number RAISED		4,285
Number ADMITTED		922
Number REINSTATED		451

Total Gains		5,658
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Total		40,728
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## DEDUCT: Losses in 1946—

Number EXPELLED .....	3
Number SUSPENDED for un-Masonic conduct_	1
Number SUSPENDED for Non-Pay. of dues--	91
Number DEMITTED .....	696
Number DIED .....	570

Total Losses ..... 1,361

Total Number of Master Masons as of Dec. 31, 1946.....\*39,367

NET GAIN for 1946..... 4,297

Petitioners for the Degrees Rejected in 1946..... 935

(NOTE: The foregoing figures are subject to change as the Annual Returns of the Lodges are audited during the year.)

(\*) This figure includes 16 Dual Members of North Carolina Lodge of Research No. 666 who are also members of other North Carolina lodges, and 1 Dual Member of North Carolina Lodge of Research No. 666 who is also a member of an out-of-the-State lodge.

## CHARTERED LODGES

Number of Lodges as of January 1, 1946.....315

Chartered April 17, 1946: Temple Lodge No. 676  
and Warsaw Lodge No. 677..... 2

Number of Lodges as of January 1, 1947.....317

## LODGES CONSOLIDATED

No lodges were consolidated during the year 1946.

## ANNUAL RETURNS

Every Lodge has filed its Return for 1946. Only twenty-four Lodges failed to file their Returns by March 1st, and only ONE Return was filed after April 1st. Taken as a whole, the Returns were better prepared than were the 1945 Returns, but some of our Secretaries continue to either overlook or ignore the printed instructions on each schedule of the Return form. A study of those instructions will enable any Secretary to complete and file his Returns properly. We sincerely appreciate the co-operation of our Secretaries and solicit a continuation of the same, without which your Grand Secretary's office could not function very efficiently or very long.

## DELINQUENT LODGES

(NOTE: A full report on delinquent Lodges will be made by the Grand Secretary.)

COMMISSIONS ISSUED TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES  
OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

By order of the Grand Master, commissions were issued and delivered to Grand Representatives of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina Near other Grand Lodges, as follows:

On March 7, 1947, to W. Brother S. G. Bannan, Blairmore, Alberta, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

On March 7, 1947, to W. Brother George R. Huff, Past Master of Fidelity Lodge No. 51, Ithaca, New York, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of New York.

On March 7, 1947, to R. W. Brother Whitfield W. Johnson, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, 73 Tremont Street, Boston 8, Massachusetts, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

On March 7, 1947, to Brother John D. Nelson, Providence, Rhode Island, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

On March 7, 1947, to R. W. Brother J. A. Robertson, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of South Australia, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of South Australia.

On March 7, 1947, to R. W. Brother Alex Troedsson, Grand Secretary of the National Grand Lodge of Denmark, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the National Grand Lodge of Denmark.

On March 7, 1947, to W. Brother E. T. Sabin, D. D. G. M., 301 W. Wabash, Enid, Oklahoma, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

On March 7, 1947, to R. W. Brother Buell W. Thrall, Past Master of Webster Lodge No. 61 and a Past D. D. G. M., Essex Junction, Vermont, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Vermont.

On March 21, 1947, to W. Brother L. Bert Love, Past Master of Silence Lodge No. 1 (the only English-speaking Lodge in Brazil), as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro.

On March 21, 1947, to W. Brother Benedicto Prestes, as the Representative of our Grand Lodge Near the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo, Brazil.



# COMMISSIONS RECEIVED FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Commissions have been received and delivered to Brethren appointed Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges Near The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, as follows:

England—M. W. Brother J. Edward Allen, P. G. M., Warrenton, N. C.

Indiana—W. Sam D. Bundy, P. M., Farmville, N. C.

New York—W. Wallace E. Caldwell, Senior Grand Deacon, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Manitoba—W. Willie F. Owens, P. M., Greenville, N. C.

Michigan—W. Robert L. Pugh, Grand Steward, New Bern, N. C.

South Carolina—W. John B. Regan, P. M., St. Pauls, N. C.

## GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA SERVICE AWARDS (25-Year Certificates)

We prepared and delivered 781 Grand Lodge of North Carolina Service Awards, or 25-Year Certificates, during the year 1946. A Total of 865 of these Awards were presented during Grand Master Bundy's administration.

## GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA VETERAN'S EMBLEMS (Fifty-Year Emblems)

Awards for fifty years of continuous membership were made to the Brethren named below, during the year 1946:

NAME	DATE	LODGE	Date Raised	Lodge in Which Raised
S. H. Gosney.....	1- 8-1946	Spencer 543.....	1895	Pittsylvania 24 Virginia
T. T. Cherry.....	1-22-1946	Concord 58.....	7-20-1889	Stonewall 296
S. T. Flippen.....	3-29-1946	Copeland 390.....	3-29-1895	Copeland 390
Ben P. Grant.....	4- 1-1946	Andrews 529.....	9- 4-1893	Lone Oak 449
B. A. Rickett.....	4- 1-1946	Andrews 529.....	2- 4-1891	Marble Springs 439
S. P. Harwood.....	4- 1-1946	Andrews 529.....		
Charles S. Bryan...	5-22-1946	St. John's 3.....	5-26-1896	St. John's 3
J. T. Bowman.....	9- 4-1946	Cleveland 202.....	10- 3-1894	Hill 183 (Va.)
W. Henry Belk.....	10- 2-1946	Monroe 244.....	5-15-1891	Monroe 244
Orland M. Boyd.....	10-14-1946	Excelsior 261.....	2-17-1896	Catawba 248
W. T. Harding.....	10-18-1946	Raleigh 500.....	9-14-1896	William G. Hill 218
W. T. Comer.....	10-25-1946	Grassy Knob 471..	6-26-1896	Grassy Knob 471
J. M. Lloyd.....	11- 4-1946	Bethel 589.....	1892 or 1893	Stonewall 296
G. W. Freeman.....	11- 5-1946	Orr 104.....	4-19-1892	Roper 443
D. A. Powell.....	11-14-1946	Home 613.....	5- 3-1894	Harmony 340
J. G. Staton.....	11-19-1946	Skewarkee 90.....	11- 3-1895	Skewarkee 90
J. T. Kirkpatrick...	12- 6-1946	Eagle 19.....	11-11-1894	Eagle 19
W. D. McCraig.....	12-27-1946	Wilmington 319..	1-16-1896	Solomon 1 (Ga.)
R. M. White.....	12-27-1946	Mooresboro 388..	10- 1-1892	Boiling Springs 464

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

All of the Awards and Emblems were presented at communications for which special arrangements had been made by the lodges making the presentations, the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters having presented many of them.

In addition to those listed above, arrangements were made for the presentation of the Veteran's (50-Year) Medal of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts to the following Brethren:

William Stevenson—Presented January 18, 1947, in Leaksville Lodge No. 136, by W. Brother John E. Oakes, D. D. G. M.

Henry F. Lesh—Presented January 29, 1947, in Southern Pines Lodge No. 484, by M. W. Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master.

SPECIAL (EMERGENT) COMMUNICATIONS OF THE  
GRAND LODGE

Special (Emergent) Communications of the Grand Lodge have been held as follows:

June 28, 1946, at Oxford, for the Funeral of Reverend Brother Creasy Kinion Proctor, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage.

September 11, 1946, at Raleigh, for the purpose of selling the Masonic Temple Building.

October 18, 1946, at Morehead City, for the purpose of Laying the Cornerstone of a new Masonic Temple.

March 19, 1947, at Greenville for the purpose of dedicating the new Lodge Hall of Greenville Lodge No. 284.

March 22, 1947, at Union Grove, for the purpose of dedicating the new Lodge Hall of Grassy Knob Lodge No. 471.

Detailed minutes of each of these Special (Emergent) Communications will be printed in the Proceedings for 1947.

## MEETINGS

In addition to the above-listed meetings, I accompanied Grand Master Bundy to the four regional meetings for District Deputies; to the forty (40) District Meetings and Officers' Conferences; to meetings for the constitution and dedication of both Temple Lodge No. 676 and Warsaw Lodge No. 677; to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia; to the Washington Conferences (Grand Masters', Grand Secretaries', Masonic Service Association, and George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association); and to many other delightful and beneficial Masonic gatherings. In fact, I have declined invitations only when the duties of my office prevented my attendance. I hereby record my gratitude for the many courtesies of my Brethren.

## HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

I acknowledge with grateful appreciation election to Honorary Membership in the following Lodges: Buffalo No. 172, Johnston-Caswell No. 10, Francis S. Packard No. 630, Oxford No. 122; and Greenville No. 284.

## THE GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

On Page 9 of the Masonic Reviews for 1927 you will find an article entitled, "WHAT TO DO WITH THE CREPE ON THE GRAND LODGE LIBRARY DOOR." On Page 29 of the 1927 Proceedings, Acting Grand Master John H. Anderson said, "The Grand Lodge has no library worthy the name of library, and what we have is so poorly housed as to almost prohibit its use. It is recommended that the library be moved to the fifth floor in the rear of the Grand Secretary's office."

On Page 148 of the 1927 Proceedings, you will find the following:

"Past Grand Master Winston offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the recommendation of the Grand Master that the Grand Lodge Library be moved to the fifth floor of the Temple be approved and that the Grand Master be and he is authorized to have such removal made in his discretion, and that all expense attending such removal be paid out of the contingent fund'."

Brethren, the opportunity having been presented to exchange the space on the second floor (where the Grand Lodge Library has been for many years) to rooms adjoining the Grand Secretary's Office on the fifth floor, and Grand Master Bundy having approved the exchange and moving of the Library, your Grand Secretary-Librarian forthwith proceeded to move it, and we do not believe anyone will now say that our Library "is just about everything that a library ought not to be." (See Page 9 of 1927 Masonic Reviews). You are invited to visit and use the Library at your convenience. A more detailed report on the Grand Lodge Library will be found in the Reports of the Grand Librarian and the Committee on Grand Lodge Library.

## REPORT OF DOINGS

The form, REPORT OF DOINGS, printed and distributed to the Lodges in order to enable the Secretaries to carry out the provisions of Regulation 285 in reporting the "DOINGS" of the Lodge promptly after each stated communication, will contribute much to the usefulness and efficiency of the Grand Secretary's Office, if ALL Secretaries will co-operate by filing their reports promptly. In the first place, we are thus enabled to record the information contained in the reports as to dates of degrees, reinstatements, deaths, etc., all through the year, rather than having to wait until after the end of the year when the Annual Returns

have been filed. The point with which we are most concerned, however, is that we are thereby enabled to give our Lodges up-to-the-minute information concerning Brethren about whom they make inquiries. Then, if the Secretaries will keep carbon copies of these reports for their files, they will have little trouble in assembling the information for their Annual Returns.

#### COMMENTS

The Grand Secretary's Report last year gave you some idea as to the heavy and rapid increase in detail work in this office, and I here record for your information and guidance that the demands made on this office continue to increase. The Brethren expect, and rightly so, that the Grand Secretary's Office be one of service; but, the office must have the necessary personnel, equipment and supplies if it is to render the service expected of it. It was necessary to exceed the 1946 budget on these three items, and Grand Master Bundy approved the excesses, practically all of the equipment in the office having been obsolete and the stock of supplies, etc., in the office having been practically "nil." Too, the prices on both equipment and supplies were increased considerably above the anticipated cost at the time the budget was made up. The office badly needs additional filing and other equipment and supplies, a detailed report of which will be placed before the Committee on Finance.

#### PAST GRAND MASTER NEWCOMB

I am very grateful to Most Worshipful Brother Charles B. Newcomb, my immediate predecessor, for the short but valuable period of training which I received as Assistant Grand Secretary under his guidance, and for his continued friendship and ever-ready counsel. All of us love and respect Brother Newcomb, but few of us stop to realize and appreciate the tremendous load he has been, and is, carrying for us—Foundation, Board of Custodians, Jurisprudence, Lodge Service Commission, Code Commission, By-Laws, et cetera ad infinitum. Brethren, let's SHOW him that we appreciate what he has done and is doing for us by assisting him when the opportunity affords itself.

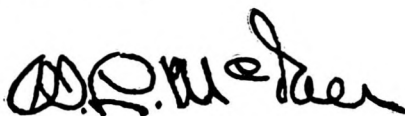
#### GRAND MASTER BUNDY

I am likewise indebted to Grand Master William J. Bundy for his co-operation and wise counsel throughout a busy year, and for the privilege of "RIDING WITH THE GRAND MASTER" from Murphy to Manteo and from the Virginia line to the South Carolina line, without which I would not have had the pleasure of meeting and mingling with so many of my Brethren. I congratulate Grand Master Bundy on the high degree of success which is his following a year in which he has made a great personal sacrifice, but in so doing has made a great and lasting contribution to the Fraternity.

## AND, FINALLY,

I record my appreciation to all who have co-operated with us during the past year—especially to the Grand Lodge Line Officers, the Past Grand Masters, the Grand Auditor, the Committees, the District Deputies, the Secretaries of our subordinate Lodges, and the faithful and efficient staff in the office of your Grand Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,



*Grand Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE GRAND AUDITOR

The Grand Auditor made the following report which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

(Docket No. 7)

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina,  
A. F. & A. M.:*

BRETHREN:

I herewith present my fifth annual report as Auditor of the Grand Lodge for the year ended December 31, 1946.

As directed by the Grand Lodge, I have audited the financial records of the various agencies of the Grand Lodge, including those of the Masonic Temple Construction Company, Masonic & Eastern Star Home, North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Incorporated; Oxford Orphanage, Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer. Separate reports have been rendered thereon.

All receipts and disbursements were checked with the books of original entry and with the respective bank accounts.

All securities, with the exception of those in trust funds held by banks, and as otherwise noted in the audit reports, were examined.

The records are kept in excellent shape and no difficulty, whatever, was experienced in making the audit.

I am of the opinion that all receipts have been properly accounted for and all disbursements made upon proper authorization.

I would respectfully make the following recommendations:

1. That the Jurisprudence Committee be requested to examine the charter of the Masonic Temple Construction Company with a view toward possible amendment, providing for non-par stock and such other changes as they may deem advisable.

2. That the Masonic Temple Construction Company, incorporated, be authorized and directed to pay over to Oxford Orphanage the sum of \$1,000.00, and that Oxford Orphanage be authorized and directed to accept said payment of \$1,000.00, the same being the principal sum of the bequest made to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in accordance with the will of the late Bartholomew F. Moore. Further, that Oxford Orphanage be authorized and directed to invest the said principal sum in U. S. Government Bonds, Series G, the income from which is to be used for the benefit of Oxford Orphanage, the principal to be held subject to the instructions of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M., Trustee.

3. I would also recommend that Oxford Orphanage be authorized and directed to deliver to the Masonic Temple Construction Company, Incorporated, the said corporation's note for \$1,000 upon receipt of the aforementioned payment.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. SPENCER, *Certified Public Accountant,*  
*Auditor, The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.*

The minutes were read and approved. Prayer was offered by Reverend Robert S. Boyd, Grand Chaplain, and the Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment until 9:30 a. m., Wednesday, April 16th, 1947.



## SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:30 o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 16th, 1947, by M. W. Brother William J. Bundy, Grand Master.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Brother Robert S. Boyd, Grand Chaplain.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARITY

(Docket No. 8)

The Committee on Charity presented the following report which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina,  
A. F. & A. M.:*

As chairman of the Charity Committee of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, during the year 1946 I recommended that financial aid be given in the following cases, in the amounts stated, to-wit:

Date	Amount
1- 4-46—Brother J. V. Privette— Whitestone Lodge No. 155, Zebulon-----	\$ 50.00
1-10-46—Brother Charlie Grubbs— Grifton Lodge No. 243, Grifton-----	75.00
1- 6-46—Mrs. Annie Free—(Widow J. D. Free)— South Fork Lodge No. 462, Cramerton-----	50.00
10-14-46—Brother Willis D. Tuttle— Roman Eagle Lodge No. 550, Aberdeen-----	100.00
11-14-46—Mrs. C. W. Pugh—(Widow)— Wanchese Lodge No. 521, Wanchese-----	50.00
12-14-46—Brother J. F. Marquette—Lecturer-----	200.00
12-14-46—Brother P. C. Stott-----	100.00
12-19-46—Mrs. Cozy R. Overby—(Widow)— Fuquay Lodge No. 258, Fuquay Springs-----	70.00
Total-----	\$ 695.00

Fraternally yours,

RICHARD D. TURNER, *Chairman,*  
*Committee on Charity.*

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS

(Docket No. 9)

The following report of the Committee on Appeals was read and adopted:

*To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina,  
A. F. & A. M.:*

Your committee on Appeals begs to report that they have examined the transcripts of the following trials:

Orient Lodge No. 395	vs. David Winfield King
Cannon Memorial Lodge No. 626	vs. Edgar Thompson Hurst
Queen City Lodge No. 602	vs. Paul Mozingo
Hickory Lodge No. 343	vs. Norman Eugene Goodwin
Lovelady Lodge No. 670	vs. William Carroll Martin
	and
	Francis Garrou, Jr.
Rockingham Lodge No. 495	vs. Mitchell Selle Milliken

We find that the trials were held in accordance with the provisions of the Code and recommend that the action of the respective Lodges be approved.

Re: Petition for Restoration of Clarence Vincent:

Your committee recommends that said petitioner be restored to the status of an unaffiliated Mason through the issuance of a Grand Lodge Demit.

HARRISON KAUFFMAN, *Chairman*,  
RICHARD P. BAER, II  
SHERMAN E. BURGESS,  
NORWOOD P. PARKER,  
E. G. HARRINGTON,  
T. O. KEPLEY,

*Committee on Appeals.*

## REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

(Docket No. 10)

The following report of the Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was read and entered upon the records:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held, as usual, on the morning of February 22nd. This year, for the first time in the recollection

of this reporter, the journey by bus to the site of the Memorial on Shooters Hill, Alexandria, Virginia, was made with difficulty on account of a snowstorm and a gale of wind.

There are those who assert that the project of building a worthy Masonic Memorial to George Washington has taken too long and has cost too much. Well, if one looks at the project from the point of view of one who sets out with cash in the bank to build a great skyscraper in time of peace, we have to admit this is true. But we did not set out with the cash in the bank to build the Memorial; nor did we have any way to get that cash except by persuading forty nine sovereign and independent Grand Lodges and certain other Masonic Bodies, to raise that cash, for a project which could never pay to any of them one cent in cash return. And we were not building it on the skyscraper plan of "time is of the essence of this contract." And furthermore, much of the time elapsing since the laying of the cornerstone has been in the depths of a great depression; and still yet other years were in time of war when all building except that directly related to the winning of the war, of necessity had to stop. Moreover, it cannot be doubted that if we had mortgaged the property in 1935, borrowed to our limit on it and used the money thus obtained to complete the Memorial, the cost of its completion would have been much less than it is now going to be. But who of us was willing to mortgage the property that we might borrow the necessary money to complete the project, when our only guarantee of ability to repay was the good will of the Masons of the forty eight states and the District of Columbia?

The writer has before him as these lines are prepared, the descriptions and history of a number of the great cathedrals of Europe. They are worthy specimens of the builder's art and the science of architecture. They inspire. They cost much money and labor. We are struck with the thought that not a single major Cathedral of the classic group was constructed in so short a time as we believe will be required to complete the George Washington Masonic National Memorial at Alexandria!

At first they thought a dollar from each Mason in the United States would build an appropriate memorial. But soon that concept was outgrown, and the goal of \$1.70 per member was set. If every Grand Lodge had paid its \$1.70 per member as promptly as North Carolina did, the Memorial would have been completed with what that produced. Distance does not lend enchantment in such a project. The Eastern Grand Lodges came across very well as a rule, but those to the west of us were not uniformly successful in doing so. Some were much more prompt than others. Certain Grand Lodges went on record as forbidding the assumption of a project which such Grand Lodge did not itself control. It is easily understandable why the George Washington project here in Virginia would appeal less directly to people some thousands of miles away than to those whose home country was the scene of the fighting of the Revolutionary War.

But we are happy to report that the Memorial is today more than ninety per cent complete. About another million dollars is necessary to let the final contracts.

In the 1947 meeting, there were signs of unrest. There was a report going the rounds which suggested that the entire Board of Directors ought to resign and a new organization be set up. There was a proposal by the Virginia Grand Master that the constitution and by-laws of the organization be revised with a new basis of representation thereon. The former of these was withdrawn, as it should have been. The latter of them was placed before the body on a vote by roll call, and defeated by a vote of 8 to 20, after having been very warmly championed by distinguished Masons. And, after all of this smoke had blown away, they received the contributions as usual, and the amount was \$154,699.26, which is larger than the amount raised at any such occasion for many years. Our North Carolina people will understand that they raise money like our colored people here do in their churches—get up on roll call and lay it on the table. It will be a great day when the last dollar has been thus laid on the table, the last contract executed, the Endowment Fund brought high enough to make the support and maintenance of the Memorial assured, and all of the priceless relics of George Washington placed in their proper places for the inspiration of Masonic America.

North Carolina is honored by having Dr. Charles P. Eldridge as a member of the Board of Directors. This scribe hopes to be permitted to attend the final dedication of this, the greatest of all memorials erected by a private fraternal organization to any man, and that in the not too distant future.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Representative.*

## REPORT OF GRAND HISTORIAN

(Docket No. 11)

The following report of the Grand Historian was read and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

Your Grand Historian recognizes the fact that much historical research of a major kind awaits the efforts of one who will undertake the job, to the end that Freemasonry in North Carolina may enlarge its available knowledge of historical backgrounds. Your Grand Historian has had perfectly good intentions to do this work during the past Masonic year. Two conditions have militated against the success of this project. For one thing, your Grand Historian has not ceased to be called upon to perform additional but related tasks to the extent that so much of his time as is left is insufficient to do justice to the effort. We were compelled to

run away from the Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina in 1946 and to be absent from the Spring Reunion of the Brethren of the Scottish Rite of 1947, because of holding major offices in one of the great patriotic societies, the Sons of the American Revolution. The other matter that impelled us to postpone activities is the fact that Grand Secretary McIver has been in the midst of reorganizing the Grand Lodge Library, which means that its contents will be available for research as they have scarcely been in the past. We most heartily commend the Grand Secretary, and we hope the students of Masonry who are within the sound of my voice will freely make use of the newly reorganized Grand Lodge Library.

During the year, several interesting celebrations of anniversaries have been planned by the lodges of this state. These occasions always do good if properly planned and executed. If they are poorly planned they become a very boring and uninteresting occasion, and if too elaborately planned, they entail unwarranted expense.

It is proper to make a few suggestions concerning the planning of any Centennial or other anniversary occasion. We believe that first of all, it should produce the history of the lodge concerned. If the minutes are not lost, this is a matter of obtaining the salient facts from the sources. In many lodges, the minute-books are lost, and in such a case the compilation of such a history from all available sources of information, and its preservation, is doubly important. Now just here, many such celebrations fail. Some one is called on to read the "History of X Lodge No. 700." He reads a very long and dry document and everybody is put to sleep. Or, the writer of it says to himself, "This is to be read in the meeting and I will cut it down," and he does so until it loses its historical value, as a document to be placed in the minutes. The truth is, there should be two such documents. The lodge ought to set aside enough money to have a pamphlet or brochure of its history printed by the Oxford Orphanage and given to its members as a souvenir of the occasion, along with a list of its present membership or other information of value. Then, some person should write a historical sketch giving primarily matters of importance and of human interest, but not too long, to be read at the celebration. Such a celebration may be encompassed within one evening, or it may cover several events and may last a week, depending on the wishes of the principals. It is proper that it should pay fitting tribute to Masons of great distinction who have in the past made their contribution through such a lodge to the cause of Masonry, but such tributes or sketches also should not become burdensome.

Your Grand Historian is interested in the number of our lodges which have obtained pictures of their distinguished dead, and some of them have attempted systematically to obtain portraits of all Past Masters. It is a very commendable custom. We suggest that as each Worshipful Master goes out of office, the minutes of

the lodge should give a sketch of such an officer, to be kept among the records for the use of generations unborn. We could wish that the Grand Lodge had published sketches of its Past Grand Masters throughout all of the decades as it has during the last half-century; for if it had, the task of one delving into history would be much lighter and his efforts much more successful.

The writer has in his possession a book of the earliest minutes of Blandford Bute Lodge, late of Bute County. Blandford Bute Lodge was formed on April 29, 1766, by a few brethren who went to Bute County, apparently, from the vicinity of Petersburg, Virginia, where was Blandford Lodge. These brethren do not appear ever to have taken the trouble to get a charter: Charters were not considered indispensable for beginnings in those days. This writer gave a synopsis of some highlights of its existence in an article published in "THE BUILDER" magazine, in 1916. These old records were originally stored in a building which had been John R. Johnson's Boot Shop, moved to this from the courthouse of Bute County. The Johnson Boot Shop was demolished soon after the turn of the century, and the books in it were scattered. John R. Johnson was an ardent Mason. Only a couple of years ago this writer found a missing book of the minutes of Johnston-Caswell Lodge for the years 1866-1867 in an attic, buried in a bushel of old Brother Johnson's shoe pegs. That bushel of shoe pegs still remains unmolested. A non-Mason found the old records of Blandford Bute Lodge. He spent the better part of the night reading them, and the next day (This was about 1912) he called this writer and told him about them. He made a proposition on this wise. He took the oldest of the books and pointed carefully to one page. "Read that," he said. That which was at his finger's end was the following: "Resolved, that Jethro Sumner be instructed to buy a pair of striped drawers for the use of the Lodge for two shillings." And earnestly he said, "If you will tell me what they bought those drawers for, I will give you all of these books!" We told him, just as vividly as if we had been on the spot when they were purchased, and we got the books. General Jethro Sumner, early member of the family of Nathaniel Macon (but they spelled it Machen), Green Hill of Louisburg and his brothers, were all found to have left their signatures on the by-laws.

We cite the above as a single illustration of what items of human interest these old records might produce, if one is willing to dig into them. Some have real historicity, some a vast wealth of human interest, and others throw much light on the progress of Masonry. It is hoped that every Lodge will bring its old records to the light of usefulness to Freemasonry universal.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Grand Historian.*



REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MASONIC  
SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES

(Docket No. 12)

The following report of the Representative to the Masonic Service Association of the United States was read and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

As your official representative to the Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association, I have the honor to report my attendance upon the said meeting, held in the city of Washington, D. C., February 19, 1947. As the schedule of the meetings belonging to what is now called "Masonic Week" was worked out this year, this meeting came first, and for that reason was probably not as largely attended as some of those later in the week.

But even at that, the attendance was by no means disappointing. Thirty of the American Grand Lodges are members of the Masonic Service Association, and of those, twenty eight were represented, not to mention official brethren from probably two thirds of the non-member jurisdictions.

This meeting was most constructive. Indeed, your Representative has attended every one of the Annual Meetings since away back about 1925, when it met in Chicago, except one. We went to that one, but were called home by a case of serious illness, before we could answer "present" when our name was called. And of all of these meetings of two decades, we believe this was probably on the highest level. We remember when the greatest part of the program of the Masonic Service Association had to do with what was called "Masonic Education," which term became unpopular and which program just evaporated. This scribe was a member of a committee which gathered facts about Freemasonry in Foreign Countries for the Masonic Service Association. The facts were used, but the contemplated M. S. A. report on the subject was not printed. Then came the darkest days of the Masonic Service Association. Came the premonitions of a greater World War than the first had been, and Grand Lodges came to foresee that the Masonic Service Association would be a necessary vehicle of service to our men in the uniform of the country. Plans were carefully laid. This scribe was present when General Marshall talked to us confidentially before the United States was in the fighting war. There was never a chance that we could stay out. And the Masonic Fraternity acted through the Service Association and acted gloriously and effectively. Masonic Service Centers met a great need. We shall reap for a long time the harvest of good will from the seeds of service thus sown in military centers. It would have been a tragedy to have made it necessary that our men should come home and declare that Freemasonry was a slacker in the great war.

The Service Centers are no longer needed and have been closed. They are replaced by our work of Hospital Visitation. Ten million persons were in the services one way or another, and the government is providing hospital services for veterans needing them. More and bigger hospitals are being built. The end is not yet in sight. And Freemasonry, through the Masonic Service Association, has already placed full time hospital visitors in sixty or more of these hospitals, with more to come. Many of those listening to this report have seen that Masonic sound picture which shows what these Visitors are doing. It is strongly recommended that every lodge arrange to have the picture shown to its membership, for they will not soon forget it. General Omar N. Bradley, who is the administrator for the Veterans' Administration, is a Mason, and he has written a letter of thanks and of praise of the work. It is a work which is not duplicated by any other organization, it may be said in passing to another subject.

A year ago, the Masonic Service Association sent a Committee to Europe to determine what relief was needed for European Freemasonry, and what conditions Masonically actually prevailed there. The chairman of the committee was Brother Ray V. Denslow, who made a report to this Annual Meeting. The European Grand Lodges of the Continent need everything. Perhaps some time will elapse before several of them can be reactivated, their quarters being desperately needed for the care of the homeless. Some of them are already beginning to function remarkably well. And there are some of them which will not resume labors in this generation. For Russia holds no place for Freemasonry, and in some cases, the membership was completely exterminated by Hitler or by Franco. All of these conditions were studied and reported on by Brother Denslow for the Committee. The Grand Master of Michigan proposed that the organization of the Association be completely changed. His proposal was studied and discussed, but when the vote was taken, the decision, 25 to 3, was to make no change. The present organization was doing good work: why throw it out?

It is presumed that the Grand Lodge will continue its membership in the Association. North Carolina is honored by having Past Grand Master H. M. Poteat as an influential member of the Executive Commission.

Respectfully submitted, J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Representative*.

## REPORT OF THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

(Docket No. 13)

The following report of the Foreign Correspondent was read, received and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

I present this brief report to you for the purpose of announcing that the real report containing sundry observations concerning

Masonry and Masonic statistics will be handed to the Grand Secretary for inclusion in the printed Proceedings.

It is regretted that conditions prevailing seem to suggest that the report of the Foreign Correspondent be made somewhat brief again this year, but such is true. The Oxford Orphanage newspaper, *The Orphans' Friend*, has been having great difficulty in getting enough paper to print its usual bi-monthly news sheet, and is at this moment running behind on that account. It appears that an attempt to include all that we could wish, would only serve to complicate difficulties in the way of our officials.

The present day trends of Freemasonry are very interesting, both at home and abroad. It looks like the net gains reported for the current year among the American Grand Lodges will reach 185,000. This would mean that the American membership would reach more than 3,100,000, which is not far from the greatest number of Master Masons in good standing on the rolls that has ever been known. It appears that the present trend in free money will probably end within a year, and that some sort of a recession in spending will come, with a corresponding effect on the Masonic picture. That is to say, perhaps we shall have one more year of net increases in membership above 160,000 in the United States, and then a slowing down. Whether the succeeding years will reveal a succession of net losses such as we saw in the 1930's, is problematical; but we have the feeling that whatever of this kind shall come, will not be so disastrous as in that depression. Moreover, Freemasonry has learned a great lesson about going into debt, and will not be likely to have its Temples foreclosed and sold by creditors as was done in the earlier period; nor will it be likely to have local bodies, in a vain effort to save themselves, levy ruinous assessments upon their members.

We have several accounts of different phases of Masonry which we shall give to the North Carolina readers when the Proceedings are published. For instance, while we read that Masonry respects no man's religion, so long as he professes a belief in the Supreme Architect of the Universe and accepts the Holy Writings as a rule and guide to faith, nevertheless we do find one religious group excluded from Masonry. Why is it that in Utah, the home state of Mormonism, no Mormon can become a Mason? We have an answer to that question. Again, what are the facts about European Freemasonry? We have something with which to answer that. What are the facts about Mexican Masonry? We hope to throw more light on these.

Last year this writer gave some facts concerning the status of Negro Masonry. You will be interested to know that in the Conference of Grand Masters last February, Grand Master Bundy was called upon to write a paper upon certain phases of this problem. There was much interest in the subject. It so happened that when we were writing, the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Scottish Rite Jurisdiction of the United States was

writing about the same problem, and neither this writer knew of what Brother Johnson was doing, nor did Brother Johnson know that this scribe was concerned about the matter in the least. It can do no harm to inform ourselves about the minority people in our midst.

In Europe are two great forces which are hostile to Masonry; Rome, and Moscow. It would seem that these two are in a sort of ill-concealed struggle today for ascendancy in Europe. We can only hope that somewhere between the two the great European nations will preserve civil liberties, religious liberties, and the liberty to become Masons unmolested and without discrimination. As these lines are written, the outlook is far from bright.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Foreign Correspondent.*

## REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

(Docket No. 14)

The Grand Librarian read the following report, which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

The opportunity having been presented, soon after the sale of the Masonic Temple Building, to exchange with the new owners of the building the space for many years occupied by the Grand Lodge Library on the second floor for two rooms adjoining the Grand Secretary's Office on the fifth floor, and Grand Master Bundy having subsequently approved such an exchange of space and approved the removal of the Library from the second to the fifth floor, your Grand Secretary-Librarian, with the further approval of the Chairman and other members of the Committee on Grand Lodge Library proceeded, on or about February 1, 1947, to arrange for such removal, and I am glad to be able to now advise you that your Grand Lodge Library has been moved, CLEANED UP, and is certainly in a more usable space, is in a more usable condition, and we believe it will be found of much value in the coming years to those Brethren who can and will avail themselves of the opportunities for research, etc., contained therein.

The work in the Library has been by no means completed, for all of the work necessary to be done could not possibly have been done since February 1 of this year. However, all Proceedings of the Grand Lodges have been arranged properly on the shelves, and duplicate Proceedings have been inventoried and stored. The shelves will be labeled properly as soon as necessary materials are secured, and the Brethren will have no trouble whatever in finding the books they are seeking.

The two rooms to the rear of the Grand Secretary's office will be used to file the Proceedings of the Grand Lodges, as well as

those of the York Rite Grand Bodies, Scottish Rite, Shrine, etc. Various Masonic publications will also be filed in these rooms. Shelves in the Conference Room in the Grand Secretary's Office will be used for books on Masonic Symbolism, history, religion, biography, jurisprudence, fiction, etc.

Whether or not our Grand Lodge Library is a success in the future depends on all of us. Nearly all of the books in the Library other than Proceedings, are 40-50 years old, but among those ancient books are some that are very valuable.

The Grand Historian and Historians of Subordinate Lodges are respectfully requested to co-operate by furnishing the Grand Secretary-Librarian copies of Lodge histories, biographies, and other materials of Masonic interest and content. Past Grand Masters and other Masons will add much to the Library by either giving or lending to it such books, papers, files, etc., as they have and which they would like to have in a safe place and a place where they will be accessible to present and future students of the Fraternity.

It is respectfully requested and recommended that sufficient personnel be provided in the Grand Secretary's Office so that the books in the Library can be properly indexed, and an index made of items in the various Proceedings of the Grand Lodge concerning the Foundation, Oxford Orphanage, Masonic and Eastern Star Home, our Past Grand Masters, and all other matters which might be of interest to the Brethren. It is also respectfully requested and recommended that \$2,500.00 be appropriated for the cost of moving and cleaning up the Library, new books and binding old ones, equipment, etc.

Through the courtesy of the family of Past Grand Master Alexander B. Andrews and the co-operation of Past Grand Master Charles P. Eldridge, a member of our Committee, we have received a valuable collection of jewels and numerous other Masonic relics, pictures, certificates, etc., which had been accumulated by Past Grand Master Andrews over a long period of distinguished service to Masonry. We have also received some valuable files of Masonic correspondence from the family of Brother Andrews. For all of these items we here record our sincere thanks, and can only suggest and hope that others will "*Go Thou and do likewise.*" This particular collection will be known as the PAST GRAND MASTER ALEXANDER B. ANDREWS COLLECTION, and will be prominently displayed in the Library just as soon as the necessary work can be done. This material will form the nucleus for what we believe will eventually become a real Masonic Museum, and we recommend that consideration be given to changing the name of the Grand Lodge Library to Grand Lodge Library and Museum.

We record our special thanks and gratitude to Grand Master Bundy for his interest in the Grand Lodge Library and for his 100% co-operation in the present undertaking.

Respectfully submitted,      W. L. McIVER, *Grand Librarian.*



PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON THE GRAND LODGE LIBRARY  
(Docket No. 15)

W. Brother Charles P. Separk, P. M., C. L., made the following report for the Committee on the Grand Lodge Library, which report was received, entered upon the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The Report of your Special Committee on the Grand Lodge Library is incorporated in the Grand Librarian's Report which we wholeheartedly endorse.

The Committee has visited the new Library and found it to be in the order reported by the Grand Librarian.

We respectfully request the appropriations that the Grand Librarian has asked for to carry on this work to a successful conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. P. SEPAK, *Chairman*,  
CRAVEN E. HARRINGTON,  
CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE,  
HARRISON KAUFFMAN,  
WILBUR L. MCIVER.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY  
(Docket No. 16)

W. Brother Charles H. Pugh, M. D., presented the following report for the Committee on Necrology, which was received and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

It is with an unmistakable note of sadness and sorrow, and yet with joy and respect to the memory of those whom we honor, that we take occasion at this Annual Communication of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, to pay tribute to those of our Order who have laid down forever the working tools of this mortal life.

We can take comfort, as can those who miss them from their own hearthsides, and from their own daily walks of life, in the fact that the work and record of living achievements of these men live on after them to continuous good in this world, although as mortals their spans of time have ended.

Some of these men advanced to wealth, to fame, and to high positions in the world and some to high and honored status in our own Fraternity. Others, perhaps, played seemingly humbler roles, both in the world, and in this Noble Fraternity.



But, we are reminded today that we do not put a worldly valuation nor intrinsic appraisal upon their deeds and their accomplishments. We are mindful of the fact that they who have won the love of fellow men, the love of their families and friends by a life well-lived, will hold in our hearts and memories positions of equal importance.

We are reminded too that the final valuation of achievements in this mortal life was aptly summed up in the words of Jesus Christ in the Gospel According to Saint Mark, when He said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, My Brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

We would likewise not be unmindful today of the fact that the restriction of opportunities of any of these men, or any of us, or others, bears no proper relation to evaluation of achievements.

We would recall this fact as exemplified in the immortal elegy of Thomas Gray:

*"Full many a gem of purest ray serene  
The dark, unfathomed waves of ocean bear  
Full many a flower is born to blush unseen  
And waste its sweetness on the desert air.  
Some village Hampden, that with dauntless breast,  
The little tyrant of his fields withstood  
Some mute inglorious Milton, here may rest;  
Some Cromwell guiltless of his country's blood."*

570 members of this Grand Jurisdiction died this past year. These men lived and worked among us in the pursuit not alone of their own happiness but the happiness of others. They will be missed in the halls of fellowship. Their mortal presence is no more, and its departure leaves an aching void in the hearts of those nearest and dearest to them, and in our own hearts as well.

To those bereaved dear ones, we would say that we solicit for them comfort in the same knowledge in which we ourselves take comfort—the knowledge that, although these our brethren have passed into the portals of "that house not made with hands," the work, the faith, and the hallowed memory of each and all of them live on forever in the hearts of those of us who were privileged to know them upon this earth, in the short and fleeting span of time which we are all allowed. It is in this knowledge that we say that death did its worst, but they can never die.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. PUGH.

TRIBUTE TO PAST GRAND MASTER  
ALEXANDER BOYD ANDREWS

(Docket No. 17)

W. . Brother Harrison Kauffman, P.M., presented the

following tribute to M.:W.: Brother Alexander Boyd Andrews, Past Grand Master, which was received and entered upon the record:

**MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:**

You have signally honored me in your appointment as the speaker to voice the sorrow of the Grand Lodge and of this Grand Jurisdiction at the passing of our notable brother, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Alexander Boyd Andrews.

The passing of Brother Alexander Boyd Andrews has carried to nearly everyone in the State a sense of personal loss. It is shocking and hard to realize that we shall see his gentle spirit among us no more. A man of infinite patience, good humor and good will, he was without guile, without malice, without even a far-away suggestion of insincerity. Honorable in everything and trustworthy to the last notch, the simplicity and naturalness of his good will drew to him everyone who came in contact with him.

We come now, my brethren, to refreshing our memories and deepening our love for him who has passed away. In this hour we are reminded that life's journey is in the valley of the shadow of death. Today we have our special sorrow brooding in our hearts, and while mourning for our own dead, we also give praise in memory of our departed brethren the world over. It is most fitting that we do so—those who never mourn, have never loved. Deep grief is the downy pillow on which love rests its head and sinks to sleep. No man can say why tears flow when loved ones leave us on that dark journey—God made it so. My brethren, this hour has its lessons. No man can foretell the mysterious issues of life and death.

How uncertain is the future. Life today is bright, the sea is calm, the tide swells high and strong. Tomorrow the tide turns and business troubles—sickness or death—rob us of hope and possession. The man who would know life's true meaning, must live in deeds, not years, in thoughts, in feelings. He lives most who thinks most, feels noblest, acts best. Death comes equally to all of us, and makes us all equal when it comes.

Let us so live that we will look upon death as a friend at last, so that our dying day shall be our resting day, when we shall rest from all sin and care and trouble, and we shall triumph over every enemy and even death itself shall die. The teachings of Masonry gently lead us to this consummation, not with sad heart and mournful countenance, but with cheeks aglow and faces joyous with hope.

So live that when thy summons comes to join the innumerable caravan which moves to that mysterious realm where each shall take his chamber in the silent halls of death—thou go not like the quarry slave at night, scourged to his dungeon, but sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust—approach thy grave like one who

wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams.

In the death of our beloved Brother Alexander Boyd Andrews, the State has lost an energetic, wise and patriotic citizen, and Masonry an ardent, well-equipped and whole-hearted devotee. His family, his city, his state, will greatly miss him, and we shall miss him here.

Brother Andrews passed away October 21, 1946, suddenly at his home on North Blount Street, Raleigh. He was born September 2, 1873, in Henderson, and was the second son of Alexander Boyd Andrews and Julia M. Johnston. He attended the Raleigh Male Academy and was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1893. He was admitted to the Bar in September 1894, engaging in the practice of law in Raleigh for 52 years.

He was a Trustee of the University of North Carolina, and past President of the Alumni Association. He was an outstanding Churchman, being an Episcopalian Chancellor of the Episcopal Church from 1932. He loved his Church and his God, and his faith was as simple as a little child's, but as strong and unchanging as the everlasting hills.

Brother Andrews was raised in Wm. G. Hill Lodge No. 218, Raleigh, N. C., June 17, 1898, and elected Master in 1901. He entered the Grand Lodge line through his appointment as Grand Marshal in 1901, being advanced through these places and stations until he was elected Grand Master in 1916.

As Grand Master in 1916 he served Ex-Officio on the Board of Directors of the Oxford Orphanage, and was elected to the Board continuously from 1917 to 1943 when he resigned.

Past Grand Master Andrews established the Andrews Educational Loan Fund at the Orphanage July 15, 1923, and made numerous donations to the Institution at frequent intervals.

He compiled the Digest of Masonic Law in North Carolina 1841 to 1906, to which he made subsequent additions and revisions. This has been of great importance to North Carolina Masonry.

The deceased began his York Rite initiations with the Mark Master of the Capitular Branch September 20, 1898, in Raleigh Chapter No. 10, Royal Arch Masons, and was exalted November 1, 1898. He became High Priest in 1902, and Secretary 1903 to 1906. In the Grand Bodies of the York Rite he was elected Grand High Priest in 1907, Grand Master of the Grand Council 1902-1905, and Grand Commander in 1906. He received the 4th to the 14th degrees, inclusive, in Mithras Lodge of Perfection at Washington, D. C., in December 1901, and his 32nd degree in January 1902. He was a charter member of Carl A. Woodruff Lodge of Perfection, Raleigh, and its first Venerable Master in 1917. He was also a charter member of John C. Drewry Chapter of Rose Croix, Raleigh. Subsequently he became a Knight Commander of the Court of Ho-

He was only fifty-eight years of age when he died; a short span it is true, and yet, during those years of activity and usefulness, during those years of influence, and productivity, he had built for himself a monument as enduring as the sands of time, a monument erected in the hearts of boys and girls who came under the blessed influence of his protective custody in the great institution which is the pride and joy of every Mason. Surely this monument will forever stand as a tribute in brick and mortar to the incomparable genius and the tender, great-heartedness of this man who, for the last eighteen years of his life was its beloved superintendent. The Oxford Orphanage is truly a monument to Creasy Proctor, and it will forever stand as such. Surely if he could have been offered the privilege of giving to us a final word he would have urged us to continue at all times our enthusiastic support of the Orphanage. He would have insisted that we spare no effort and cost to make it a home for those who are in need of a home. He would have expressed the prayer that it might continue to serve, and ever increasingly so, as sanctuary where Christian character is molded and worthy citizenship is developed; where boys and girls may spend a few years under the influence of godly men, and women and then be returned to the world adequately prepared for useful, worthy and purposeful activity.

No attempt will be made in this paper to list the facts of Creasy Proctor's life; of the many honors that came to him from his fellow men; of his faithful companion through the years whose devotion to him, whose companionship, counsel and love constituted such an essential part of him; all these, and many more, are matters that are already a part of the written record, both of the Grand Lodge and of the press. They have been faithfully and lovingly recorded. Indeed, his career, even though brief, presents such an interesting multiplicity of facts that a volume in itself would be required if one endeavored to present a faithful and accurate account of them. It is the purpose here definitely to set apart a few moments of time while The Grand Lodge is holding its annual communication for 1947, in order that the brethren who knew and loved Creasy Proctor and who are still saddened by the great loss Masonry sustained in the passing of that great man, might pause and reflect upon the truth worth and value of this man "who went about doing good." It is well that we meditate upon these things, for we could well desire to possess in our lives those elements that made him great. This thought was well expressed by the Grand Master when, in that most impressive funeral service, he quoted:

*"His life was gentle;  
The elements were so mixed in him  
That Nature might stand up and say,  
'Here was a man'."*

What, then, were those elements that contributed so much to his nobility of soul and which, if appropriated by us would permit

our lives to exert a more beneficent influence by precept and yet more, by example, upon our fellow man? Among the numerous tributes that have been written and spoken, perhaps no one more accurately and adequately described these essential elements of grandeur than did his devoted widow, when in her matchless tribute she wrote:

"He was ever mindful of his keen responsibility for guarding the bodies and souls of all those entrusted to his care. He really suffered over the welfare of every child here. No matter what the hour of the day or night, or how long the distance he had traveled, or how tired he was, he never failed to drive over the entire campus and around every cottage to see that everything was all right . . . . Through the eighteen years of work and close association with him here at the Orphanage, he has never been known to falter. He always went forth with joy in his heart and pride in the work he was doing. He was wont to say, 'I am having the biggest time of anyone here' . . . . . He never seemed to grow weary in well doing and never once thought of himself as doing anything unusual. He never felt for one instant, that he was overworking or that he should let up. He had no patience with shirkers nor with those who complained."

In those few lines, penned by the one who knew him best and who loved him the most, we catch something of the great spiritual force which drove him on, something of the dynamic power which was impelling him to even greater service, and to the ruthless demands of which he gave his life, willingly, unselfishly and with the conviction that he had "fought a good fight" and "kept the faith."

Surely then as his soul went soaring into the presence of the Master, he must have been privileged to hear the blessed words, "Well done, good and faithful servant: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." And even then, as the Master must have looked upon the great host of orphan children whose lives had been touched and blessed by this knightly servant of the common good, He must have added in words of explanation, "Because thou hast done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, thou hast done it unto me."

And thus, Creasy Kinion Proctor, having completed the temple which he had been constructing, was called home to the Supreme Architect to receive the plaudits of the angels in Heaven. He had wrought well; he had left his imprint upon the hearts and lives of multitudes of people in all walks and stations of life; he had multiplied himself a thousandfold in the lives that he touched. These things he must now leave behind him as living testimonials of his stewardship. In exchange for them he would now accept "the incorruptible state of spiritual existence, the crown of eternal life, the robe of endless righteousness, and the everlasting source of God's love."



Let us here accept the priceless heritage he has bequeathed us as we firmly resolve that his exemplary life shall forever serve as a beacon light, pointing out to us the course, which, not to follow, involves only shipwreck and disaster. As we accept this heritage may we also resolve that the noble work which he began and carried on so successfully shall be continued with a rekindled zeal as a tribute to the devotion and faithful service of this great and good man.

So mote it be!

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) ROBERT L. PUGH, *Grand Steward.*

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

(Docket No. 19)

The following report of the Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home has the honor to advise that the Home was visited March 15th, 1947, and beg to submit the following:

All records and reports were examined and studied and were found to be in order, and in every respect the managerial and the financial disbursements well and capably done, and we commend the Superintendent and staff for the excellent results of their efforts; and by consideration of ages, the health record of the guests is very good and exemplifies the result of loving care and attention, and many expressions of joy and happiness heard which demonstrates the wonderful spirit that prevails in the Home.

The buildings are in good condition, clean and well cared for, the Chapel having its share of attention; however, we suggested to the Superintendent that he place a handrail, as a safety factor at the ramp section leading to the Chapel, and the tile covering in the corridor or hallway leading to the outside ramp, showing results of much wear and having broken sections, will need replacing at an early date.

The Superintendent has secured some additional porch furniture and chairs for use in the sun parlor, also the installation of a large refrigerator, June, 1946, adds much to the facilities of the kitchen and dining room, which is in charge of a well-trained dietitian and staff.

The grounds, including lawns, shubbery, etc., are well kept, and the trees having recently been trimmed of all dead and decayed portions and the outside buildings on the premises are in good shape.







REV. A. DELEON GRAY  
*Superintendent Oxford Orphanage*

Naturally the room facilities of the Home are used to full capacity, and as we note the rapid growth and increase in Masonic membership which keeps pace with the growing population of the State, also the lengthening of life expectancy years of the average guest, it would be well to take under consideration, the expansion of the Home facilities and the demands which will have to be met in the near future.

It is hoped the work of construction of the Hospital section may soon materialize whereby the guests can be permitted the use of this much desired and helpful service when needed.

Many things could be said and included in this report to show the result of excellent management and care of the Home and our guests, but would possibly be a repetition of items and statistics in the report submitted by the Board of Directors.

Respectfully,

MURRAY C. ALEXANDRE, *Chairman*,  
C. E. HOLT,  
A. B. GOETZE,  
W. E. JOYNER,  
B. S. ELDRIDGE,  
J. J. FAULK,  
J. E. OAKES.

#### MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME, INC.

Brother George R. Bennette, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc., was recognized and gave a splendid oral report on the Home.

#### OXFORD ORPHANAGE

Brother A. DeLeon Gray, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, was recognized, and he gave an inspiring oral report on the Orphanage, making a special appeal for a building to replace the "thrice worn out" Walker Cottage for boys.

#### JOHN C. DREWRY MEMORIAL GRAND SECRETARY FUND

(Docket No. 20)

The following report of the Custodian of the John C. Drewry Memorial Grand Secretary Fund was read, entered upon the records, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE DREWRY MEMORIAL GRAND SECRETARY FUND

	INCOME	Disbursements	Receipts
1945 —			
Dec. 31—Cash Balance on hand-----	\$		\$ 956.44
1946 —			
Jan. 15—Div. on 55 Shs. Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.			123.75
17—John H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, Income on hand-----		1,057.69	
25—Correcting entry of Dec. 21, 1945— Int. on Mary H. Cooper note posted to account in error (should have been John C. Drewry Ins. Trust)-----		192.84	
Feb. 16—Div. on 252 Shs. R. J. Reynolds To- bacco Co., "B" common stock-----			88.20
Mar. 13—Div. on 25 Shs. Atlantic Coast Line Rwy. common stock-----			25.00
16—Div. on 75 Shs. Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y., common stock-----			30.00
21—Div. on 10 Shs. American Woolen Co. pfd. Stock-----			20.00
April 2—Int. on U. S. Sav. Bonds, Series "G"			12.50
15—Div. on 55 Shs. Amer. Tel & Tel. Co.			123.75
17—John H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, Income on hand-----		129.11	
19—Div. on 140 Shs. The Penn. Rwy. Co.			140.00
May 16—Div. on 252 Shs. R. J. Reynolds To- bacco Co., common stock-----			88.20
June 12—Coupons from Atlantic Coast Line Rwy. Co., 4½% bonds due 1964-----			112.50
14—Div. on 25 Shs. Atlantic Coast Line Rwy. Co., common stock-----			25.00
17—Div. on 75 Shs. Consolidated Edison Co., of N. Y., common stock-----			30.00
22—Div. on 10 Shs. American Woolen Co., pfd. stock-----			17.50
July 15—Div. on 55 Shs. Amer. Tel & Tel. Co.			123.75
16—W. L. McIver, Grand Secretary, Income on hand-----		536.95	
31—Div. on The Pennsylvania Rwy. Co.			70.00
Aug. 15—Div. on 252 Shs. R. J. Reynolds To- bacco Co., common "B" stock-----			88.20
Sept. 12—Div. on 25 Shs. Atlantic Coast Line Rwy. Co., common stock-----			25.00
16—Div. on 10 Shs. American Woolen Co., 7% pfd. stock-----			17.50
16—Div. on 75 Shs. Consolidated Edison Co., of N. Y., common stock-----			30.00
Oct. 2—Int. on \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bonds, Series "G" -----			12.50

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	Disbursements	Receipts
16—W. L. McIver, Grand Secretary, Income to date-----	\$ 243.20	
16—Div. on 55 Shs. Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.		\$ 123.75
Nov. 1—Cash settlement made in exchange of 10 Shs. Amer. Woolen Co., 7% pfd. Stk. for 15 Shs. Amer. Woolen Co., \$4 Cum. Conv. Stock-----		85.00
16—Div. on 62 Shs. R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., common "B" stock-----		21.70
21—Div. on 190 Shs. R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., common "B" stock-----		66.50
Dec. 7—Div. on 65 Shs. The Pennroad Corp.		16.25
12—Div. on 25 Shs. Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company-----		25.00
12—Int. on \$5,000 Atlantic Coast Line Rwy. Co. 4½% bonds due 1964----		112.50
16—Div. on 15 Shs. Amer. Woolen Co., Cum. Conv. stock-----		15.00
16—Div. on 75 Shs. Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y., common stock-----		30.00
27—Div. on 252 Shs. R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., common "B" stock-----		88.20
31—Cash balance on hand-----	583.90	
	<u>\$2,743.69</u>	<u>\$2,743.69</u>

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	Disbursements	Receipts
1945 —		
Dec. 31—Cash balance on hand-----	\$	\$ 719.15
1946 —		
Jan. 25—Correcting entry of Dec. 21, 1945—payment on Mary H. Cooper note posted to account in error—(should have been John C. Drewry Ins. Trust)	232.16	
Dec. 11—American Tel. & Tel. Company, covering purchase of \$500 par value 2¾% debentures -----	500.00	
23—Sale of 25 Shs. Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. rights @ \$2.49-----		62.25
31—Cash balance on hand-----	\$ 49.24	
	<u>\$ 781.40</u>	<u>\$ 781.40</u>

Commission due Custodian:

2½% on Income totaling \$1,787.25---\$ 44.68

In addition to the above mentioned cash balance on hand, we hold the following securities:

\$1,000 p.v. U. S. Savings Bond, Series "G" due April 1, 1955.

\$500 p.v. American Telephone and Telegraph Company 2¾% Debenture Bonds of December 15, 1961.

\$5,000 p.v. Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company, 4½ % bond of 1964.

55 Shares American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

25 Shares Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company.

75 Shares Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y. common Stock.

140 Shares The Pennsylvania Railway Company.

65 Shares The Pennroad Corporation, common Stock.

252 Shares R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, "B" common Stock.

15 Shares American Woolen Company, \$4 Cum. conv. preferred Stock.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC TEMPLE

(Docket No. 21)

The Committee on the Masonic Temple presented the following report, which was ordered to be received and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.*

The Committee held its usual meeting after last Annual Communication, and elected Directors as follows:

FRANK I. WATSON,  
CLARENCE B. SHULENBERGER,  
CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE,  
HARRISON KAUFFMAN,  
EDWIN W. YATES,  
ROSS E. SHUMAKER,  
CRAVEN E. HARRINGTON.

The Masonic Temple having been sold, the need for this Committee no longer exists (See Section 45, Page 27, of the 1924 Code.)

We record our thanks to Brother Edwin W. Yates and the other members of the sub-committee on sale of Masonic Temple for their excellent, faithful and untiring work in that connection.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. McIVER, *Secretary, For the Committee.*

### REPORT OF DIRECTORS OF MASONIC TEMPLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INCORPORATED

(Docket No. 22)

The following report of the Directors of the Masonic Temple Construction Company was read and referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The Board met immediately following its election by the Com-



mittee and elected Frank I. Watson, Chairman, and W. L. McIver, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Board held several meetings in connection with carrying out the orders of the Grand Lodge in Special Communication on September 11, 1946.

The sale of the Masonic Temple was consummated on December 2, 1946, (as of December 1, 1946), and the proceeds from that sale have been paid over to the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., in accordance with the resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge on September 11, 1946.

We here record our thanks to Brother Edwin W. Yates and others for their untiring efforts in bringing about the consummation of this sale. We direct your attention to the recommendation of the Grand Auditor—re: Non-profit non-stock corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

*Masonic Temple Construction Company, Inc.*

W. L. McIVER, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

(Docket No. 23)

The Committee on By-Laws presented the following report which was read, and upon motion, duly seconded, was adopted:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

Your Committee on By-laws reports that amendments and revisions of by-laws of the following named lodges were approved between March 15, 1946 and March 25, 1947.

Lodge Name	No.	Date Approved
St. John's	1	July 24, 1946
St. John's	1	November 13, 1946
St. John's	1	February 13, 1947
St. John's	13	January 7, 1947
Phalanx	31	April 26, 1946
Greensboro	76	July 15, 1946
Hiram	98	July 13, 1946
Person	113	October 30, 1946
Palmyra	147	October 26, 1946
Scotch Ireland	154	March 24, 1947
Balfour	188	March 5, 1947
Wm. G. Hill	218	July 26, 1946
Grifton	243	October 29, 1946
Lee	253	December 2, 1946
Dunn's Rock	267	May 28, 1946

Bingham	272	January 31, 1947
Rehoboth	279	June 27, 1946
Rehoboth	279	September 20, 1946
Greenville	284	October 12, 1946
Laurinburg	305	June 10, 1946
Eureka	317	October 28, 1946
Wilmington	319	February 17, 1947
Harmony	340	January 13, 1947
Bakersville	357	May 18, 1946
Reidsville	384	October 12, 1946
Kedron	387	June 10, 1946
Orient	395	January 13, 1947
Bald Creek	397	November 21, 1946
Siler City	403	March 24, 1947
Wilkesboro	407	April 26, 1946
Wilkesboro	407	December 31, 1946
West Bend	434	January 7, 1947
Biscoe	437	December 23, 1946
Clyde	453	July 8, 1946
South Fork	462	March 12, 1947
Lexington	473	August 24, 1946
Thos. M. Holt	492	February 10, 1947
Mooreville	496	June 10, 1946
Ayden	498	February 13, 1947
Widow's Son	519	December 16, 1946
Joppa	530	February 10, 1947
Corinthian	542	July 13, 1946
Mount Holly	544	January 30, 1947
Roman Eagle	550	February 13, 1947
Swannanoa	561	September 28, 1946
Cranberry	598	October 10, 1946
St. Patrick's	617	January 13, 1947
Goldsboro	634	July 8, 1946
Guilford	656	June 27, 1946
Temple	676	August 14, 1946

There were several amendments proposed which I believed to be in conflict with the law of the Grand Lodge. They were not approved, and in each case I advised the lodge that it could appeal to the Grand Master if it was not satisfied with my decision.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *Committee on By-laws.*

## RESOLUTION TO AMEND REGULATION 286 OF THE CODE

(Docket No. 24)

The following resolution to amend Regulation 286 of the Code was read and referred to the Committee on

Masonic Jurisprudence, was amended by that Committee, and was adopted as amended:

BE IT RESOLVED, That a new subdivision be added to Regulation 286 to be numbered iii; that the present subdivision iii be re-numbered iv; that the present subdivision iv be amended and be re-numbered as v; that the subsequent subdivisions as they now read, be re-numbered consecutively from vi through viii, so that the whole of Regulation 286 after said amendments, additions and renumbering shall read as follows:

REG. 286: LODGE BUILDINGS AND INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR:

- i. No Lodge shall hereafter lease for more than two years, or erect, or purchase a building, or any part thereof, or purchase or lease land for the construction of a lodge building; nor shall a lodge pledge its credit or issue bonds, notes, or other evidence of debt therefor, or subscribe to or guarantee the stock or bonds of any building association, or company, either in the name of the Lodge or under the name of a building association or company formed by Masons, within or without the Lodge, for any building project, until definite plans of the building and the full plan for financing thereof have been presented to, and have been expressly approved by, the Lodge Service Commission of the Grand Lodge.
- ii. No Lodge shall enter into a joint enterprise with any other group, body, organization, or other entity, except another Masonic Lodge or recognized Masonic Body composed wholly of Masons, in the construction, ownership, and management of a building, unless the same has been expressly approved by the Lodge Service Commission of the Grand Lodge.
- iii. No lodge shall grant a lease for more than two years of any real estate in which it has any interest; and no subordinate lodge shall hereafter be or become a party in creating or organizing a civil corporation for the purpose of purchasing or leasing real estate, or for erecting or maintaining a building for any purpose whatever, or for amending the civil charter of any such corporation now existing for the same purposes, until the proposed charter, or the proposed amendment to any existing charter of such civil corporation, shall have been approved by the Lodge Service Commission.
- iv. Wherever possible, a lodge should have and maintain complete control over its meeting place.
- v. In handling applications made under this Regulation, the Lodge Service Commission may exercise the authority assigned to it by the Grand Lodge in 1936 Proceedings, at page 122, and it shall have full power and authority to

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make such rules, from time to time, as may be found necessary to provide an orderly procedure for handling and disposing of such applications, and by decision of a majority of the members of the Commission it may approve or reject any application.

- vi. A Lodge shall have the right to appeal to the Grand Lodge from the decision of the Commission on its application under this Regulation.
- vii. The Grand Lodge is in no sense responsible for the payment of any debts or obligations of subordinate Lodges beyond that set forth in Section 137 of the Code of 1924.
- viii. The Regulations or other enactments, except the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, heretofore made which conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

(Annotate to Section 66, at Page 35 of the CODE).

(See Pages 197-198, Docket No. 47, for action taken on this resolution as amended.)

## RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CODE RELATIVE TO TRUSTEES OF LODGES

(Docket No. 25)

The following resolution to adopt a new resolution, to be known as Regulation 287, was read and referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, was amended by that Committee, and was adopted as amended:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following be adopted as a Regulation to be known as Regulation 287, and to read as follows:

Reg. 287: TRUSTEES OF LODGES: QUALIFICATIONS, SELECTION, TENURE OF OFFICE, POWERS AND DUTIES.

- i. No part of this Regulation shall apply to subordinate lodges which have been duly incorporated under the laws of the State of North Carolina, but the Regulation shall apply to all lodges not incorporated.
- ii. Each subordinate lodge which is not incorporated as hereinbefore set forth shall have not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) trustees, whose duties and powers shall be, as follows:
  - (a) To take and hold in trust for the lodge, the legal title to property of every nature and kind belonging to the lodge which may be committed by the lodge to their care; and to have the care and management of the real and personal property belonging to the lodge when committed to them, and to hold the same in

trust solely for the use and benefit of the lodge, but the management and control thereof shall always be subject to the by-laws, rules, and orders of the lodge.

- (b) To negotiate all investments for the lodge at its order.
  - (c) To make purchases of property of any nature or kind at the direction of the lodge.
  - (d) To insure, and keep insured, all lodge property, when and as directed by the lodge.
  - (e) To do all other legitimate and proper acts that the lodge may direct.
  - (f) A majority of the trustees shall constitute a quorum for transaction of their business.
- iii. Each trustee of a lodge who is not also the Master, or the Senior Warden, or the Junior Warden, shall be and remain, at all times during his term as trustee, a member in good standing therein and a resident of the jurisdiction of the lodge; and if his membership in the lodge ceases for any cause, or if he should remove from the jurisdiction of the lodge he shall *ipso facto*, and at once, cease to be a trustee. He shall not be reinstated as such trustee of the lodge by restoration to membership therein or by return to the jurisdiction of the lodge, but before he shall again serve as trustee, he shall be elected and qualified as such trustee.
- iv. In the event of a vacancy among the trustees, if they are not also the Master, or the Senior Warden or the Junior Warden of the lodge, the lodge shall elect, by a majority vote, a qualified member at the next stated communication held after such vacancy has occurred, or has come to the attention of the lodge, and such member so elected shall fill the unexpired term to which he has been elected.
- v. The lodge may remove any trustee, if he is not also the Master, or the Senior Warden or the Junior Warden of the lodge, by two-thirds of the votes of the members present at a stated communication, provided, not less than five (5) days' written notice that such action will be considered by the lodge is given in person or by first class mail to the last known address of the trustee or trustees to be voted on, and the lodge may at the same communication fill any vacancy thus created among the trustees.
- vi. (a) In the absence of a by-law of the lodge as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the Master, the Senior Warden and the Junior Warden, and their respective successors in office, as provided by the CODE of this Grand Lodge, shall be the trustees of a subordinate lodge which is not incorporated as hereinbefore set forth;

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(b) Provided, however, that a subordinate lodge may adopt either paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) of this subsection as an amendment to its by-laws, and in that event, paragraph (a) of this subsection shall not apply to such lodge.

(1) At the first stated communication after the adoption of this by-law, the lodge shall elect by a majority vote, three members, qualified as provided by Regulation 287 of the CODE of the Grand Lodge, as trustees, one to serve one year, one to serve two years and one to serve three years. At each succeeding annual communication one trustee shall be elected by a majority vote to serve three years; he shall be qualified as provided by Regulation 287.

(2) At the first stated communication after the adoption of this by-law, the lodge shall elect by a majority vote, five members, qualified as provided by Regulation 287 of the CODE of the Grand Lodge, as trustees, one to serve one year, one to serve two years, one to serve three years, one to serve four years, and one to serve five years. At each succeeding annual communication one trustee shall be elected by a majority vote to serve five years; he shall be qualified as provided by Regulation 287.

vii. Any by-law of a lodge, and any regulation or other enactment, except the Constitution, of this Grand Lodge heretofore adopted which conflicts herewith is hereby repealed, and made void and of no effect.

(Annotate to Section 66, Page 35 of the CODE).

(See Pages 198-200, Docket No. 47, for action taken on this resolution as amended.)

## RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO REVISION OF THE CODE

(Docket No. 26)

The following resolution was read, referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, and it was adopted:

1. BE IT RESOLVED: That the proposed revision of the CODE of 1924 presented by the Code Commission at the Annual Communication of 1946 and referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, as provided for in Chapter XXX of the CODE, together with a suitable index thereto, be printed as Volume II



of the Proceedings for 1947, and, that each Grand Lodge Officer, each District Deputy Grand Master, each member of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence shall be furnished one copy, and each subordinate lodge be furnished two copies, of the printed revision and index before October 15th, 1947. These copies to be furnished at the expense of the Grand Lodge.

II. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

- (a) That the Code Commission be continued;
- (b) That all amendments to the proposed revision shall be submitted in writing, signed by the proposer; that such proposed amendments shall be filed with the Code Commission before December 15, 1947, and that each such proposed amendment shall be supported by a brief statement, in writing and signed by the proposer, setting forth reasons in support of the proposal;
- (c) That any amendments not submitted as set forth herein may not be considered;
- (d) Not later than February 15, 1948, the Commission shall arrange for a hearing on any proposed amendment, duly filed as herein required, on which in the opinion of the Commission a hearing may be necessary to obtain a full understanding of the said proposed amendment; and that,
- (e) A proposal to amend this revision of the CODE shall be made only by a resolution of a subordinate lodge and certified over the seal of the lodge or by a brother entitled to vote in the Grand Lodge, which must be signed by him.

III. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That on or before March 31, 1948, the Code Commission shall prepare, in writing, those proposed amendments to this proposed revision of the CODE as may appear proper to be considered and submit the same to each member of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, and at the same time the Commission shall advise each proposer of an amendment the disposition made of his proposal by the Commission.

IV. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence shall consider the proposed revision of the Code and all proposed amendments thereto, and shall report thereon to the Grand Lodge before the Grand Lodge shall take any further action on either.

(See Page 200, for action taken on this resolution.)

RE: WILL OF BARTHOLOMEW FIGURES MOORE

THE GRAND SECRETARY: Most Worshipful Grand Master, I would like to place in the record something

which I feel ought to be in the Proceedings—a record of the will of Brother Bartholomew F. Moore and other information relative to the \$1,000.00 note of the Masonic Temple Construction Company, Inc., now held by Oxford Orphanage. By searching the Grand Lodge Proceedings since 1878, we have practically the complete story, and it will be included in the Proceedings.

The Grand Secretary presented the following report relative to the Bartholomew F. Moore will and the \$1,000.00 note, all of which was referred to the Board of General Purposes:

I. ITEM XXX OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF BARTHOLOMEW FIGURES MOORE:

(Docket No. 27)

ITEM XXX. I give to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, one bond of the United States of one thousand dollars, numbered 16,642, of the same kind as those mentioned in the preceding item of my will, for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, N. C. The bond is now registered in my name, and after my decease, it is to be registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. The quarterly interest to be collected and used as contributions for the support and education of the orphans of said Asylum, as now they are. If the location of the Asylum be changed to any other locality in the State, the donation shall still continue so long as the charitable institution may exist, but if the Institution shall cease to be one of charity, I give the donation to the University of North Carolina.

(Will dated August 12, 1878; Page 23, Book A, Record of Wills, Clerk of Superior Court, Wake County, North Carolina.)

II. RECORD OF THE BARTHOLOMEW F. MOORE GIFT

As recorded in the Proceedings for 1878 and subsequent years:

(Docket No. 27-A)

“The Grand Secretary read a communication from John Gatling, one of the executors of the estate of the late B. F. Moore, of this city, informing this body that the deceased had given to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina the sum of one thousand dollars in United States bonds, for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum, at Oxford, and requesting that some person, duly authorized, be appointed to receive the same and give acquittance therefore when, in the course of administration, it may be proper to turn over the sum bequeathed.

"The Grand Treasurer was designated as the proper person to act for the Grand Lodge in the matter, under a former action. (Proceedings of 1875, paragraph 6, page 70.)"

(1878 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Pages 35-36)

"The Grand Treasurer has received from the Executors of the late Hon. Bartholomew F. Moore, deceased, a United States five per cent. bond for one thousand dollars, of the class known as the fives of 1881, interest payable quarterly, on the first days of February, May, August and November in each and every year. In accordance with a clause in the will of the testator, the bond was registered in the name of "The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina," and the first check for quarterly interest issued after the bond passed into the hands of the Grand Treasurer, was sent to him on the first day of November last, payable to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina, was sent on in due course for collection, endorsed by the Grand Treasurer for the Grand Lodge, but was returned to the Bank sending the same, as not being properly endorsed; it will be necessary for the Grand Lodge to designate some person to receive the interest quarterly, and provide for the issue of a certificate under the seal of the Grand Lodge, authorizing him to endorse and collect checks sent by the government for the interest."

(1879 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 25)

"I have to report that, under the arrangement made at the last Grand Communication, the interest on the one thousand-dollar bond devised by the late Hon. B. F. Moore, is regularly collected quarterly, and paid over to the superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, as will appear by reference to his report. The amounts do not appear in the Grand Treasurer's report, as it is in no wise a part of his receipts; but he is merely the channel through which the interest is to be collected, and the custodian of the bond, which is a registered U. S. Bond, and stands on the books of the United States' Treasury Department, registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. This bond will become due before the Grand Lodge meets again, and will probably be 'called' by the United States Government for payment, in which case the investment will have to be changed, or will cease to bear interest. I respectfully recommend that the Grand Lodge either designate a new investment in case the bond be called, or appoint a committee authorized to receive the money for the bond when called, and to make the best investment of it practicable."

(1880 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 17)

"The one thousand dollar five per cent United States bond, devised to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina by the late Hon. B. F. Moore, for the use of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, has ceased to bear any interest by reason of the call of the United States Government redeeming its five per cent loan. To this probable result I called the attention of the Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, and recommended the appointment of a committee

who should advise as to the power of the Grand Lodge to convert this bond into real estate or real estate securities. The committee was appointed, and I am informed by them that, after a due examination of the will, they decided that the money due on the bond could not be so invested, and it becomes, therefore, necessary that this Grand Lodge shall designate the person to whom this money shall be paid, and the manner of its re-investment. Under the regulations of the Treasury Department of the United States, the authority to collect the money on a called bond, when owned by a corporation, must be made by resolution of the corporation in whose name the bond stands, attested by its seal; if, therefore, this Grand Lodge should close without taking such action, this thousand dollars must remain another year without yielding any revenue. If it is ordered to be collected and re-invested, it will be necessary to purchase three and a half per cent. continued bonds, or four or four and a half per cent. bonds; if in three and a half the same state of affairs will likely recur again in a year or two by a call from the government for that class of bonds; if in fours or four and a half per cents, a premium of from fourteen to seventeen and a half per cent. will have to be provided for out of the Treasury of the Grand Lodge, and the rate of interest will be very low. I earnestly recommend, therefore, that this Grand Lodge give this matter deliberate attention, and decide and direct what is best to be done with this bond."

(1881 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 20)

"Resolved, That W. E. Anderson, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, be and he is hereby authorized to assign and transfer to any party or parties the principal and accrued interest of one thousand dollar United States five per cent. bond of the funded loan of 1881, now standing in the name of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina on the books of the Treasury Department.

"Resolved, That Henry F. Grainger, G. M., George W. Blount, P. G. M., and F. H. Busbee, be appointed to examine the will of the late B. F. Moore, and, in conformity to the power therein conferred, shall direct the investment of the proceeds of the aforesaid bond in such manner as will be safe and produce the greatest revenue, and that said committee shall report in writing to the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge."

(1881 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 29)

"In response to the call of the United States Government, I collected from the Treasury Department the one thousand dollar bond devised to the Grand Lodge for the use of the Orphan Asylum by the late Hon. B. F. Moore, receiving therefor the sum of one thousand and twenty dollars and eighty-six cents principal and interest; the interest, twenty dollars and eighty-six cents, was turned over by me to J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Asylum, and the sum of one thousand dollars was by the advice and direction of the Grand Master and the Committee appointed by the last

Grand Lodge to direct its investment, loaned to J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum on June 15th, 1882, upon a bond for that amount executed by him as principal and with twelve prominent masons as sureties, payable on January 1st, 1883, with eight per cent, interest, and is secure beyond a question: it was deemed advisable to make this temporary loan, as the money was much needed to complete the new building at the Orphan Asylum, and it was thought that the wishes of the testator would be more nearly complied with by this use of it than by any other then open to the Committee. I hope the Grand Lodge will direct the final investment of this thousand dollars when it shall have been paid by the Asylum authorities."

(1882 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Pages 18-19)

"As stated in my last report, the money received from the United States Government for the United States bond devised by the late Hon. B. F. Moore, was loaned to J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum on the 15th day of June, 1882, and was repaid by him on the ———day of——, 1883, with interest amounting to \$38.22, which latter amount I repaid him on account of the Asylum, in accordance with the wishes of the donor of the bond. With the advise and concurrence of Deputy Grand Master F. H. Bushee, I loaned the principal amount, one thousand dollars, to a citizen of Johnston county, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, on a pledge of land which we are well informed is worth between three and four thousand dollars; this money was loaned for one year, and will be due, principal and interest, on the 20th day of January, 1884; unless the Grand Lodge direct otherwise, and should the party so desire, I think it would be advisable to continue the loan another year. The papers are registered in Johnston county, and are in due form."

(1884 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Pages 26-27)

"The legacy of the late Hon. Bartholomew F. Moore, for the use of the Orphan Asylum, one thousand dollars, remains invested on bond and mortgage to a citizen of Johnson county, and is well secured; the interest on the same, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, has been paid and placed to the credit of the Superintendent of the Asylum in bank. It has been suggested that a better disposition of this fund would be to collect the bond, and use the principal money in part payment of obligations of the Directors of the Orphan Asylum, given for the purchase of certain lands recently acquired by the Asylum, adjacent to its property in Oxford, and on which I am informed the purchase money is still due, and which bears the same rate of interest as is received on this bond and mortgage. If, upon inquiry, it should be found that such disposition of the money is consistent with the terms of the will of the donor. I recommend that it be made, upon the principle that the safest investment that can be made is the purchase of a party's own paper."

(1885 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Pages 16-17)



"The legacy of the late Hon. B. F. Moore, for the use of the Orphan Asylum, still remains on bond and mortgage, secured by two hundred and ninety acres of land, certified to be worth between ten and fifteen dollars per acre. The borrower has paid the interest regularly, and such interest has been turned over to the Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum. In the report of the Committee on the Orphan Asylum, made at your last Annual Communication, which report was adopted by the Grand Lodge, the committee say, in section 5, 'We concur in the recommendation of the Grand Treasurer in regard to the donation of the late B. F. Moore to the Orphan Asylum, and advise that the bond be collected and the amount be applied to the payment of the debt due on the land recently bought for the Orphan Asylum, if the same can be done under the terms of the will.'

"If it had not been for the last sentence in the above clause of the report, I would have collected the bond and turned the money over to the Directors of the Asylum, but as the construction of a will is so delicate a matter, and as the money is securely invested, I thought it best to postpone the matter until this Communication, and if the Grand Lodge desires the investment changed, I ask that a resolution be passed specifically directing it to be done."

(1886 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 20)

"2. That the B. F. Moore donation be kept inviolate as a part of the endowment fund of the Asylum."

(1886 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 42—taken from report of the Committee on the Orphan Asylum, which report was adopted)

"The legacy of the late Hon. B. F. Moore for the use of the Orphan Asylum has been kept invested as in the past two or three years, and the income turned over to the Superintendent of the Asylum for its use."

(1887 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C., Page 21)

"The Moore legacy of one thousand dollars to the Oxford Orphan Asylum is still kept on bond and mortgage, upon which the interest is regularly paid at eight per cent., and turned over to the Superintendent of the Asylum as paid to the Grand Treasurer. It is secured upon two hundred and ninety acres of land, near the town of Clayton, in Johnston County, estimated to be worth between ten and fifteen dollars per acre, and is thought to be as amply secured as when it was made, under Grand Master Busbee's administration."

(1888 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 19)

"The legacy to the Orphan Asylum made by the late Hon. B. F. Moore, is in the same shape it has been for several years, namely, on bond and mortgage on real estate, in the sum of one thousand dollars, upon which the interest at eight per cent. has been promptly and regularly paid and turned over to the Superintendent of the Asylum; the security is said to be ample, and unless otherwise



instructed by the Grand Lodge, will remain invested in the same security for the present."

(1889 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 18)

"The Moore legacy of one thousand dollars for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum is still invested on bond and mortgage on real estate in Johnston county and is considered amply safe. The interest for the past year has just been paid to the Grand Treasurer, and by him turned over to the credit of the account of B. F. Dixon, Superintendent of the Asylum."

(1890 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 20)

"The one thousand dollar Moore legacy mentioned in last report, remains invested on bond and mortgage on property situated in Johnston county, considered amply safe. Interest for one year will be due January 20, 1891. I notified the parties concerned to make payment of same by that time."

(1891 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 16)

"The legacy to the Orphan Asylum made by the late Hon. B. F. Moore is in the same shape it has been in for several years, namely, on bond and mortgage on real estate, in the sum of one thousand dollars, upon which interest at eight per cent. has been promptly and regularly paid and the amount turned over to the Superintendent of the Asylum; the security is said to be ample, and, unless otherwise directed by the Grand Lodge, will remain invested as at present."

(1892 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 21)

"The interest on the Moore legacy, amounting to eighty dollars, has been paid to the Treasurer of the Oxford Orphan Asylum."

"The legacy of one thousand dollars to the Oxford Orphan Asylum by the late Hon. B. F. Moore is in the same shape it has been in for the last ten years, viz., upon bond and mortgage, on which interest at eight per cent, per annum, has been regularly and promptly paid, and the amount handed over to the Treasurer of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. The security is believed to be ample, and, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge, the investment will be continued as at present."

(1893 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 22)

"The legacy of one thousand dollars to the Oxford Orphan Asylum by the late Hon. B. F. Moore is in the same shape it has been for a number of years, viz., upon bond and mortgage, on which interest has been promptly paid, and the amount turned over to the Treasurer of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. The security is believed to be ample, and, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge will be continued as at present."

(1894 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Page 25)

"Included in the receipts of the Grand Secretary is \$60.00 interest on a note of the Masonic Temple Construction Company, for which he shows a corresponding disbursement to the Oxford Orphanage for this sum."

"This was a legacy of a \$1,000 United States Bond left by the late B. F. Moore in the late 70's to the Grand Lodge of Masons to be held in trust for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum (then unincorporated) and after the maturity of the Bond it was invested in notes and mortgages and then in the note of the Masonic Temple Construction Company about thirty years ago.

"We recommend that the Grand Secretary turn over the custody of this note to the Oxford Orphanage as agent for the Grand Lodge, to receive this interest and administer for it this trust."

(1937 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of N. C. Pages 104 and 105)

### PETITION FOR CHARTER PROVIDENCE LODGE U. D.

(Docket No. 28)

The following petition by Providence Lodge U. D., for a charter, was read and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. (The petition was granted and the Charter was authorized as Providence Lodge Number 678. See Pages 190-191 of these Proceedings for the action taken on the petition, and see Page 211 for a facimile of the charter issued) :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The subscribers hereto respectfully represent that, on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1946, A. L. 5946, a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina for the establishment of a new lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, at Columbia, in the County of Tyrrell by the name of Providence Lodge, and that said lodge has worked regularly since that time, as appears from the transcript of its records, by-laws and returns, herewith presented.

They, therefore, now pray that a charter be granted to the said lodge, with the following officers, to-wit: Brother Lloyd Bertram Davenport, Master; Brother Dallas Marion Bridgman, Senior Warden; and Brother Howard Johnson Glass, Junior Warden. And they do promise, as heretofore, a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge.

Given under our hands on this 2nd day of April, A. D. 1947, A. L. 5947.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WILLIAM ALFORD,  
JOSEPH WILLIAM HAMILTON,  
HERMON WALTER COHOON,  
WORTH CROMWELL SNELL,  
LEMUEL ALLEN COHOON,

JOSEPH THOMAS LIVERMAN,  
LEWIS LATHAN COMBS,  
JOHN CLEVELAND COMBS,  
MORRIS GRADY PRITCHETT,  
HOWARD JOHNSON GLASS,

BASIL THOMAS COHOON,  
CHARLES WESLEY PRITCHETT,  
JOHN WILLIAM MELSON,  
LLOYD BERTRAM DAVENPORT,  
DALLAS MARION BRIDGMAN,  
WM. SANDERLIN CARAWAN,  
WILLIAM CHARLES COHOON,  
JOSEPH ASHLEY BRICKHOUSE,  
WILLIAM W. SAWYER,  
JOHN SAMUEL COMBS,  
HEZEKIAH THOS. DAVENPORT,  
RAYMOND RUFUS COMBS,

FELTON THEODORE COMBS,  
MILTON VERNON COHOON,  
CHARLES FLOYD PATRICK,  
CLAIR EDWARD MORRIS,  
ROBERT EDWARD MIDGETT,  
WILLIAM THOMAS JONES,  
CHARLES OTIS EVERTON,  
PAUL JONES,  
BEN BASNIGHT COMBS,  
SHELTON SCOTT LUDFORD,  
WILLIAM JOHNSON WHITE,  
C. EARL COHOON,

PETITION FOR CHARTER  
CREASY PROCTOR LODGE U. D.

(Docket No. 29)

The following petition by Creasy Proctor Lodge U. D., for a charter, was read and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. The petition was granted and the Charter was authorized as Creasy Proctor Lodge Number 679. (See pages 190-191 of these Proceedings for the action taken on the petition, and see Page 214 for a facsimile of the charter issued) :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The subscribers hereto respectfully represent that, on the Thirtieth day of July, A. D. 1946, A. L. 5946, a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina for the establishment of a new lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, at Fayetteville in the County of Cumberland, by the name of Creasy Proctor Lodge, and that said lodge has worked regularly since that time, as appears from the transcript of its records, by-laws and returns, herewith presented.

They, therefore, now pray that a charter be granted to the said Lodge, with the following officers, to-wit: Brother Daniel Lacy McRainey, Master; Brother Gilbert Mansfield Honeycutt, Senior Warden; and Brother Luby Joseph Gardner, Junior Warden. And they do promise, as heretofore, a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge.

Given under our hands on this the 12th day of April, A. D. 1947, A. L. 5947.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL LACY MCRANEY,  
HENRY FLEISHMAN,  
ROY W. BOLING,  
JAMES E. MCDAVID,

CHARLES G. HARRIS,  
THEODORE W. WALLACE,  
LEON FLEISHMAN,  
CARLOS R. WILLIAMS,

HERBERT B. HODGIN,  
 ROY B. GOFORTH,  
 RAY M. GEDDIE,  
 HUGH D. BURTON,  
 ARTHUR K. MASON, SR.,  
 NEAL E. THAGARD,  
 SAMUEL A. PARKE,  
 CHARLES A. GARDNER,  
 MARION D. VARNEDOE,  
 PAUL B. ALLIGOOD,  
 GILBERT M. HONEYCUTT,  
 RUFUS K. MOORE, JR.,  
 SAM S. INGE,  
 DEWARD D. SHUFORD,  
 CHARLES W. SEATE,  
 OLIVER B. HEWETT,  
 ERNEST N. VINSON,  
 GEORGE W. HOWARD,  
 JAMES P. KELLUM,  
 CEDRIC A. JORDAN,  
 GEORGE W. MARKHAM,  
 WILBERT H. FULGHUM,  
 RANKIN LEE FISHER,  
 WILLIAM F. BROWN,  
 JAMES L. BECK,  
 RAMON E. ATKINS,  
 ERNEST J. SMITH,

MYRON H. HERNDON,  
 LUBY J. GARDNER,  
 ALBERT C. GREENE,  
 WILLIAM A. DAVIDSON,  
 JACK FOX,  
 WILLIAM J. HALL,  
 R. EARL HAYES,  
 REGINALD E. NEWMAN,  
 EDWARD W. SHEPHERD,  
 THEODORE O. RHODES,  
 ARTHUR C. TATEM,  
 JOHN W. JERNIGAN,  
 JAMES W. RAEFORD,  
 HARRY V. DEEVER,  
 JAMES M. THORNTON,  
 EMORY F. WILLIAMS,  
 HECTOR E. RAY,  
 GEORGE B. HERNDON,  
 WILLIAM M. WARD,  
 RUFUS R. SHACKLEFORD,  
 LONNIE H. HOLLAND,  
 JOHN W. HENSDALE,  
 WILLIAM E. BATEMAN,  
 LONNIE W. SMITH,  
 JAMES R. LUTHER,  
 ROBERT L. BLEECKER.

### PETITION FOR CHARTER SEMPER FIDELIS LODGE U. D.

(Docket No. 30)

The following petition by Semper Fidelis Lodge U. D., for a charter, was read, and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. The petition was granted and the Charter was authorized as Semper Fidelis Lodge Number 680. (See Pages 190-191 of these Proceedings for the action taken on the petition, and see Page 217 for a facsimile of the charter issued) :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The subscribers hereto respectfully represent that, on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1946, A. L. 5946, a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina for the establishment of a new lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons at Midway Park, in the County of Onslow, by the name of Semper Fidelis Lodge, and that said lodge has worked regularly since that time, as appears from the transcript of its records, by-laws and returns, herewith presented.

They, therefore, now pray that a charter be granted to the said lodge, with the following officers, to-wit: Brother Joseph Robert Foster, Master; Brother James Garland Crouch, Senior Warden; and Brother Euduston Wyche Williams, Junior Warden. And they do promise, as heretofore, a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge.

Given under our hands on this the 9th day of April, A. D. 1947, A. L. 5947.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH ROBERT FOSTER,  
EUDUSTON WYCHE WILLIAMS,  
HARRY THAW SAUNDERS,  
J. E. ESTES,  
OLEN ESCHOL SMITH,  
RICHARD CARLTON PASCHALL,  
SAMUEL ALLEN MUNCH,  
ROGER THOMAS KIRK,  
JOHN STACY WALTON,  
OTHO LEE ELLIOTT,  
ELMER UHLEHART PHILLIPS,  
ARTHUR JOHN THYRRING,  
LUCIAN COE GIFFORD,  
HOWARD M. LEE,  
PEARRE JAMES DAVENPORT,  
LOYD CHARLES MEEKS  
WILLIAM OVERTON GRIFFIN  
GEORGE CRARY FAVILLE, JR.,

JAMES GARLAND CROUCH,  
JESSE LOUIS MASSEY,  
JAMES FRANKLIN LOWERY,  
MATHA DAN CLEMENTS,  
JOSEPH RAY FREEMAN, JR.,  
ROBERT LEE MARION,  
WILLIAM SMITH PRICE,  
GEORGE CLINTON MOORE,  
LEON PAUL BREAUD,  
THOMAS STEPHEN BARBER,  
EUGENE MILAS MARTIN,  
CLYDE TURNER WALLER,  
ERIC MAX MENCNER,  
LESTER DELLWYN COX,  
SAM L. NORMAN,  
MARLAND PRESTON ROGERS,  
RHODNEY LEE HAMBY,  
VICTOR VANGEL MILLER.

## PETITION FOR CHARTER PIEDMONT LODGE U. D.

(Docket No. 31)

The following petition by Piedmont Lodge U. D., for a charter, was read, and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. The petition was granted and the Charter as authorized as Piedmont Lodge Number 681. (See Pages 190-191 of these Proceedings for the action taken on the petition, and see Page 220 for a facsimile of the charter issued):

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The subscribers hereto respectfully represent that, on the 28th day of February, A. D. 1947, A. L. 5947, a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina for the establishment of a new lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, at High Point, North Carolina, in the County of Guilford, by the name of Piedmont Lodge, and that said lodge has worked regularly since that time, as appears from the transcript of its records, by-laws and returns, herewith presented.

They, therefore, now pray that a charter be granted to the said lodge, with the following officers, to-wit: Brother Hugh Clements Bennett, Master; Brother Glenn Gray Perry, Senior Warden; and Brother Woodroe Franklin Haywood, Junior Warden. And they do promise, as heretofore, a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge.

Given under our hands on this the 28th day of March, 1947.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH CLEMENTS BENNETT,	POSEY L. SNOW,
WILLIAM F. FREEMAN,	W. BERGE WAGNER,
SHERRILL O. BAILEY,	C. P. DEDMON,
RUFUS F. LAWS,	R. R. BLACKBURN,
LOYD O. HUGHES,	W. F. CLAYTON,
LESLIE WARD,	EDGAR N. CRAWFORD,
FRED LYON GORDY,	E. B. OLDHAM,
M. L. SOLOMON,	J. FRANK BECK,
CLARENCE J. ALBERTSON,	WILLIAM BRYAN CARTER,
HAROLD S. MCKEE,	WOODROE F. HAYWOOD,
ROBERT B. PRUETT,	F. C. MOREHEAD,
E. L. BRIGGS,	W. C. LEWIS,
PHILIP B. DAVIS,	ROBERT L. HUBBARD, JR.,
MYRON H. FOLGER,	J. FRANK DAVIS,
W. E. GRAY,	H. M. TAYLOR,
GEORGE HARALSON,	FLEET LEWIS,
LEE F. SCHANER,	WILLIAM F. ZARBOCK,
GLENN GRAY PERRY,	L. W. FLYTHE,
H. E. GRAY,	P. LEE SMITH,
H. REECE WILLIAMS,	E. J. PHIBBS,
H. CLYDE WILLIAMS, SR.,	CARTER DALTON,
JAMES C. ROBERTS,	GEORGE W. LOWE,
L. P. MANGIN,	GEORGE McLARTY,
SOLON P. SCHWOYER,	H. H. LEONARD,
ERNEST L. CASWELL,	S. M. NEWSOME.

### REQUEST FOR DUPLICATE CHARTER, CARTHAGE LODGE NO. 181

(Docket No. 32)

Carthage Lodge No. 181 made the following request for a duplicate charter, which was read and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. The duplicate charter was granted. (See Pages 190-191 for action taken) :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The officers and members of Carthage Lodge No. 181 respectfully request that they be granted a Duplicate Charter, their orig-



inal Charter having been damaged by water to such an extent that it is neither presentable nor of any use to the Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

CARTHAGE LODGE No. 181, A. F. & A. M.,

EDWARD E. HOUGH, *Master*,

ATTEST: S. W. SHIELDS, *Secretary*.

## REQUEST FOR DUPLICATE CHARTER, LEBANON LODGE NO. 207

(Docket No. 33)

Lebanon Lodge No. 207 made the following request for a duplicate charter, which was read and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. The duplicate charter was granted. (See Pages 190-191 for action taken on this request) :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

WHEREAS, the charter of Lebanon Lodge Number 207 has been taken from the lodge for repairs, and its whereabouts are unknown to the present officers of said lodge; and

WHEREAS, the present officers and members of said Lebanon Lodge No. 207, realize that they cannot conduct meetings and transact business of the lodge without its charter from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the members of Lebanon Lodge No. 207 in meeting assembled at a regular communication held on the 4th day of April, 1947, that the officers of said Lodge be authorized and requested to petition the Grand Lodge of North Carolina for a duplicate Charter to hold meetings and to transact such business as may come before the Lodge under the dispensation of its Charter.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the proper officers of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and a copy be spread upon the minutes as a part of the record of this meeting.

Adopted by unanimous vote of members present.

WALTER ZENOHORNE, W. M.,

JACK HAYES.

*Secretary, Lebanon Lodge No. 207.*

## LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS READ

The Grand Secretary read letters and/or telegrams from the following Brethren, expressing regret at their inability to attend this Annual Communication of The

Grand Lodge, and/or extending greetings and/or expressing the hope that this will be a successful and harmonious Communication:

Brothers William B. Hodge; John C. Vance, D. D. G. M.; John F. Marquette, Assistant Grand Lecturer; John Huske Anderson, Past Grand Master, Grand Secretary Emeritus; Henry L. Anderson; J. Giles Hudson, P. G. M.; John J. Phoenix, P. G. M.; James W. Payne, P. G. M.; Frank P. Hobgood, P. G. M.; J. Bailey Owen, P. G. M.; O. Frank Hart, P. G. M., Grand Secretary of South Carolina; Dr. James N. Hillman, P. G. M., Grand Secretary of Virginia; Chester R. Jones, Grand Secretary of Delaware; Daniel W. Locklin, Grand Secretary of Georgia; Claud Shaffer, Grand Secretary of Maryland; T. E. Doss, Grand Secretary of Tennessee; Matthew Galt, Jr., Grand Secretary of Pennsylvania; Samuel H. Wragg, Grand Master of Massachusetts; and Charles H. Johnson, P. G. M., Grand Secretary of New York.

PROFFER OF \$500.00 FROM BROTHER ——— ——— ———

(Docket No. 34)

The Grand Secretary presented the following letter from Brother ——— ——— ——— (name deleted at the request of the Brother), which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (See Page 187 for action taken):

-----Road,  
-----N. Y.  
February 13, 1947.

*Grand Secretary,  
Grand Lodge of N. C., A. F. & A. M.,*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

For some years past I have been interested in gathering genealogical data on my family, which on my mother's side has its roots in North Carolina. With the ending of the war, I have begun to find time to resume this avocation. Learning from a relative that my maternal grandfather had been an active Mason, I have been glancing through the N. C. proceedings in our Grand Lodge Library recently, as time permitted, in search of further light on his Masonic career.

You may imagine my surprise on learning from this source that he was Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of N. C. in 1853, 1854, and 1855, and my chagrin on learning that in 1870, he was assisted by Grand Lodge to the tune of \$50.00, being "quite

sick and in destitute circumstances," according to the 1870 proceedings. I recall my mother once telling me years ago that when they moved to Texas to be with his eldest son, who had gone there shortly after the end of the Civil War, all they could get for their home and land in Pittsboro was a few hundred dollars. So it may well have been that without that \$50.00 he would not have been able to scrape together the railway fare to Texas for his family. At any rate he did not survive the shock of dislocation very long, dying January 29, 1872. He is buried with his wife in the cemetery at Columbia, Texas.

Since learning these facts I have looked through a number of subsequent proceedings, seeking some evidence of repayment of the loan, but without result. Fortunately, however, now that I have learned of it, I am in a position to discharge the debt with interest. For the period involved, at the interest rates now prevailing, the sum would amount to some 440 dollars odd; however, in order to make ample allowance, I am enclosing my check for \$500.00 to the order of Grand Lodge.

The thing I am most interested in in this transaction is not the mere fact of the repayment but the future use to be made of it. I have been a member of the Craft for 24 years. Either by purchase, service or invitation, I have acquired membership in nearly all the Masonic bodies I know of, and it has fallen to my lot to preside over several. As a result of this activity and experience, I have acquired certain convictions in regard to the future of Masonry, to wit:

1. Only to the extent to which Masonry as a whole rises above the level of the social club can it retain its prestige among the thoughtful portion of its membership.
2. Only to the extent to which Masonry engages in non-Masonic enterprises of high purpose can it hope to regain its quondam prestige among the profane.
3. Only to the extent that Masonry modernizes its functional organization can it hope to proceed efficiently in any non-Masonic enterprise.

The reasons for these convictions should, I think, be self-evident to any thinking Mason today. This generation has witnessed a remarkable advance in the importance of the social sciences, especially in government-sponsored activities in that field. In addition, many fraternal societies, with charitable aims paralleling those of Masonry, but uninhibited by tradition, are actively engaged in publicizing their activities in that direction. It is no longer sufficient that Masonry merely take care of its own in order to retain its preeminent influence for good in the future; it must go further. Some Masonic bodies recognized by Grand Lodge have already done so. I have in mind such projects as the Shrine hospitals for crippled children and the research work on dementia praecox sponsored by the Northern jurisdiction of the Scottish

Rite, a project which received favorable editorial comment in the N. Y. Times a few years ago.

However, in setting up such a project, the need for flexibility and the avoidance of the so-called "dead hand" should be kept in mind. There are many privately endowed orphan asylums in the country today, stemming from the period when institutional care was the generally accepted fate of such children, whereas the effort of social-work organizations at present is directed toward placement in selected private homes for adoption. For many years I passed every day in N. Y. a solid granite watering trough, erected in 1888, according to the inscription thereon, by the heirs of a certain lady under the terms of her will. The water has long since been shut off, but the trough is still there, and will probably remain until a sufficiently heavy truck skids into it on an icy day.

For these and similar reasons I should like, if it is agreeable to Grand Lodge, to have this repayment set aside as a separate fund, invested and reinvested in securities legal for savings banks and disbursed not oftener than every 25 years in amounts from 50 to 90% of the then existing total in support of projects meeting the general idea that I have rather indefinitely outlined above. It would seem to me that Grand Lodge should not engage directly in the prosecution of such projects, but confine itself to providing funds which those best qualified could use. Recommendations for disbursement would emanate from a committee appointed by Grand Lodge from its membership: personnel to consist of an attorney, a banker, a social worker or minister, an engineer, and a business man. Further details could be worked out later. In the event that the proposal is acceptable, I should hope to augment the fund by will. In any case I would very much prefer that my name not appear in the matter at all.

I trust you will pardon my unquestionable presumptuousness in thus attempting to include initiative and referendum provisions in the payment of a debt. My only excuse for being so bold is the undoubted fact that but for a singularly fortuitous combination of circumstances the existence of the debt would never have been known. In any event, I shall await your reaction with interest.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME, INC.

(Docket No. 35)

The Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc., presented the following report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

We Masons and Eastern Stars of North Carolina were pioneers in caring for our aged. We have just completed our thirty-third year, and during that time we have cared for 325 in the Home and 40 others on Home Aid. Our Home is the only one of its kind in the southeastern part of the United States. Plans are being worked out now for the establishment of two denominational homes for the aged in our state, one of which will be located in our city.

The health of our guests has been fairly good during the year. We had 4,756 days of care in the infirmary. The arrangement to have our family physician go out and hold a clinic twice a week is showing good results. We are putting more emphasis on keeping our folks well and in good health. The average age of those being admitted is higher than in previous years.

We began the year with sixty-five guests. Eleven have been admitted. Eleven died, and two voluntarily left the Home. We closed the year with sixty-three. There were fifteen receiving Home Aid at the beginning, and seven others were added. One died, two were admitted to the Home, which leaves 19 on Home Aid at present.

The most distressing thing in connection with the admission of guests to the Home is the fact that for three years now we have had a long waiting list. We now have nine waiting to come in. They do not apply for admission until they need to come, and it causes a great deal of dissatisfaction when they have to wait about nine months to get in. I have no remedy for this situation, but hope we can work out something in the near future.

All of the inside of the Main building, including the men's basement where some of our guests live, was painted during the year. The cost was a little over a thousand dollars, and two special donations of \$500.00 each, from Oasis and Sudan Shrines, paid for the most of it. This improved the looks of this building very much, and was one thing that had been needed for some time.

The new walk-in refrigerator with a capacity of 448 cubic feet, a gift from the Eastern Stars, was installed last Spring and is giving perfect satisfaction.

We have had an appraisal of our buildings made by a fire insurance adjuster, and have increased our fire insurance \$28,750. We now carry \$100,000.00 on the Main Building.

The Eastern Stars, Masons, and our friends have been very liberal in contributing to the Sunshine Fund, which gives the guests so many little things that are not otherwise provided. It pays for the moving pictures shown in the Home during the winter months, buys bus tokens, pays for radio repairs and a number of other little things that really add to the joy and happiness of the guests.

The Endowment Fund increased during the year as follows:

Louis H. Harriss estate.....	\$ 4,950.00
Garsed estate .....	1,232.00

be better equipped to foster the auspices of the Orphanage.

Your Board of Directors has held its quarterly meetings throughout the year and in addition has held two call Meetings. The Executive Committee also held its meetings through the year and made full reports to the Board of Directors. The Advisory Board met and performed the duties referred to it and made regular reports to the Board.

We are happy to report that the year 1946 was financially the most successful year of Oxford Orphanage history. The response of the Lodges to the Thanksgiving-Christmas campaign was very successful. The Lodges and their committees appeared to be better organized for efficient solicitation, and the response of the members and friends caused the regular giving to rise to a new all time high. It is interesting to note that for the first time in the history of Oxford Orphanage the Lodges have contributed an amount equal to 50% of the budget of the Orphanage. The appropriations from the state of North Carolina and from the Grand Lodge have been regularly paid. The income from the Endowment Funds has remained approximately the same as it was last year. The Orphanage closed the year free from debt and with a small balance accrued in a special emergency fund. All of the Masonic Bodies, York Rite, Scottish Rite, and the Shrine have contributed liberally during the year, as has the Order of the Eastern Star. The Duke Endowment again made their contribution to our support.

The entire Orphanage family and Masonry throughout North Carolina was deeply saddened by the untimely death of our beloved Superintendent, Creasy K. Proctor, on June 25, 1946. Brother Proctor had devoted a life of unselfish service to Masonry and had established a triumphal success in the affairs of the Oxford Orphanage. He succeeded not only in endearing himself to the hearts of Masons but he imbedded the Orphanage in the conscious love of Masons throughout the State.

After the death of Brother Proctor the Board appointed M. E. Parham as Acting Superintendent and E.



T. Regan as Assistant Acting Superintendent. These men with the co-operation of a loyal staff and an efficient organization managed the affairs of the Orphanage most commendably during the interim while a choice of a successor to Brother Proctor was being made. The Board is exceptionally grateful for the splendid service rendered by Brothers Parham and Regan during this period.

The Board of Directors met in call session on November 25, 1946, at which time we elected Alan DeLeon Gray as Superintendent, and we installed him at our regular meeting December 11, 1946.

The Board was further saddened by the death of the beloved Past Grand Master Alexander B. Andrews, Jr., who for such a long period of time was so intricately active in the leadership of the Board of Directors. We were also saddened by the untimely death of Brother Benjamin W. Parham, who for 25 years had served the Orphanage as a member of the Local Advisory Board.

We recommend most heartily the participation of each Mason in the erection of a Chapel under the leadership of the York Rite Bodies. We further recommend that each Lodge participate by substantial gifts to the erection of the Masters' Cottage which was approved by the Grand Lodge during its 1946 session, and which will replace the inadequate Walker Building and provide a home for small boys. We also recommend the Lodges to continuously keep Oxford Orphanage before the people of the State as an opportunity to invest their means through gifts and legacies as investments in life; for perpetual memory of loved ones; and for benevolent expressions of their success. We recommend that the Grand Lodge continue its appropriation to the Oxford Orphanage upon the same basis as last year and that the Masonic Bodies of the State continue their wholesome support of the Thanksgiving-Christmas campaign, subscriptions to the Orphans' Friend, and other activities which are submitted to them from time to time.

We fervently urge all Masons to pay a visit to Oxford Orphanage so that you may not only see the good work which is being done, and thereby catch a vivid glimpse of

the heart of Masonry at work, but that you also may have your life and spirit enriched and that you may participate in the dividends which have accrued in wholesome living in the lives of the boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Directors of Oxford Orphanage,

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master*  
and *Ex-officio Chairman*,

LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR.,

DR. M. E. HOFFMAN,

WILKINS P. HORTON,

DR. CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE,

T. J. HARKINS,

J. W. WINBORNE,

DR. R. L. FLOWERS,

T. L. SIMMONS,

BENJAMIN CONE,

MILLARD F. McKEEL.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIEF OF EUROPEAN AND PHILIPPINE MASONRY

(Docket No. 37)

The Committee on Relief of European and Philippine Masonry presented the following report, which was read, and that portion referring to finance was referred to the Committee on Finance, the remainder of the report being adopted:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

Your Committee on Relief of European and Philippine Masonry has considered the continuation of such relief for 1947, and recommends that \$3,000.00 be appropriated for such purpose, to be expended, as deemed necessary and wise upon order of the Committee on Relief of European and Philippine Masonry.

We recommend that this Committee be continued, to be composed of the Grand Master as Chairman, the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden, the Junior Grand Warden, and the Foreign Correspondent.

s/WM. J. BUNDY, *Chairman*,

s/LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR.,

s/W. P. HORTON,

s/M. E. HOFFMAN.

## CALLED FROM LABOR TO REFRESHMENT

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Brother W. C. Francis, C. L., Assistant Grand Chaplain.

## SECOND DAY—NIGHT SESSION

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M. W. Brother William J. Bundy, at 7:30 o'clock on Wednesday Evening, April 16, 1947.

Prayer was offered by W. Brother Harold G. Cuthrell, Grand Orator.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE  
NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.

(Docket No. 38)

The following report of the Directors of The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Incorporated, was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF THE  
NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.  
1946

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

The Directors of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Incorporated, respectfully present the following report of income, disbursements, assets and liabilities of the Permanent Fund and of the Masonic Educational Loan Fund, for each of which the Foundation is Custodian, and which constitutes its entire business for the calendar year ending December 31, 1946:

## PERMANENT FUND

1946

The attached exhibits are taken from the report of the Grand Auditor for the calendar year 1946 and we have retained his identification of the exhibits for convenience. They present fully and in detail the record of our transactions and, therefore, we use these exhibits as a part of our report.

1: The statement of receipts and disbursements will be found on exhibit "I".

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

- 2: The statement of stocks and bonds sold will be found on exhibit "H".
- 3: The inventory of investments in bonds will be found on exhibit "J".
- 4: The inventory of investments in commercial stocks will be found on exhibit "K".
- 5: The statement of assets and liabilities will be found on exhibit "G".

## MASONIC EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

1946

We use the exhibits of the Grand Auditor in presenting the details of our handling of these funds, for the same reason stated above.

- 1: The statement of receipts and disbursements will be found on exhibit "M".
- 2: The inventory of assets, consisting of U. S. Bonds, will be found on exhibit "N" pages 1 and 2.
- 3: The statement of assets and liabilities of this account will be found on exhibit "L".

We report that the income on this account in the sum of \$3,295.00 has been paid to Brother Millard F. McKeel, Secretary of the Fund.

## COMBINED STATEMENT

1946

A statement showing the assets and liabilities of both the Permanent Fund and the Masonic Educational Loan Fund will appear on Schedule "A" attached.

## INCOME, PROFITS AND DISBURSEMENTS

We believe that the several exhibits and schedules submitted herewith show in sufficient detail the source of income and profits, and the objects of the disbursements. It will be noted, however, that total income from investments was \$13,095.57; and that profits from sales of securities amounted to \$30,735.28, making a total of \$43,830.85, and expenses amounted to \$1,130.12, leaving a net balance of \$42,700.73 from these two sources, which was added to the surplus.

The income for 1946 was not paid over to the Grand Secretary, but was retained for reinvestment, as ordered by the Grand Lodge, Proceedings 1946 at page 143.

## CHARITY RESERVE FUND

This fund was dissolved during 1946 by order of the Grand Lodge, see Proceedings 1946 at page 143, and the funds were transferred to the "Permanent Fund."

## MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

Following the Grand Lodge, the Directors held two meetings in 1946. Both meetings were held in the office of the Grand Secretary, in Raleigh. The first was held July 6, 1946, at which all members of the Board of Directors were present. At this meeting the following officers were elected:

HERBERT C. ALEXANDER, *President*,  
A. W. MADISON, *Vice-President*,  
CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

The second meeting was held December 30, 1946, at which all members were present except Brother Watson N. Sherrod. At this meeting, the bond of the Secretary-Treasurer was increased to \$100,000.00, Brother A. W. Madison, Vice-President, was named joint custodian, with the Secretary-Treasurer, of the property of the Foundation.

## GENERAL

The affairs of the Foundation have had careful and constant supervision by the Directors, and they report that all of the securities of the Foundation are in the safe deposit box of the Foundation at the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Raleigh, N. C. Since January 1, 1946, the Wachovia Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, N. C., has been the depositary for funds of the Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.

BY CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

## PERMANENT FUND

Exhibit "I"

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., *Custodian*

## INCOME AND EXPENSES

12 Months Ended December 31, 1946

## INCOME

## Interest:

Interest on Notes .....	\$3,967.50	
Interest on Bonds .....	960.00	
Interest on U. S. Government Bonds.....	3,527.45	
Interest on Building and Loan Balance---	105.60	
Total Interest Received .....		\$ 8,560.55

## Dividends:

American Rolling Mill Co.....	\$ 37.50
American Telephone and Telegraph Co.---	922.12
American Tobacco Co. ....	162.50
Blue Bell, Inc. ....	120.00
Cannon Mills .....	87.50
Carolina Power and Light Co.....	437.50
Carolina Telephone and Telegraph.....	288.00

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Consolidated Edison .....	\$ 240.00	\$
Duke Power Co. ....	162.50	
Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. ....	137.50	
Jefferson Standard Life Ins. Co. ....	437.50	
S. H. Kress & Co. ....	90.00	
Masonic Temple Construction Co. ....	1,000.00	
Pullman Incorporated .....	100.00	
R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. ....	272.40	
U. S. Pipe and Foundry Co. ....	40.00	
Total Dividends Received .....	4,535.02	
TOTAL .....	\$13,095.57	

## DISBURSEMENTS

Office Supplies .....	\$ 16.35	
Telephone .....	5.28	
Postage .....	6.33	
Registration .....	.48	
Safety Deposit Box Keys .....	1.00	
Safety Deposit Box Rent .....	3.60	
Interest .....	884.71	
Expense—Meeting Board of Directors .....	25.10	
Fidelity Bond Premium .....	93.75	
Federal Tax .....	22.66	
Transfer Tax .....	2.50	
Transfer Expense and Commissions .....	68.34	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	1,130.12	
NET INCOME—(TO EXHIBIT "G") .....	\$11,965.45	

## PERMANENT FUND

Exhibit "H"

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., *Custodian*

## STOCKS AND BONDS SALES

12 Months Ended December 31, 1946

	Sale Price	Cost	Profit
25 Shares Atlantic and Charlotte Air Line Railway	\$ 6,362.50	\$ 3,425.00	\$ 2,937.50
72 Shares Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company ..	14,130.00	10,886.50	3,243.50
415 Shares Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co. ....	15,043.75	2,988.00	12,055.75
7 Shares Reynolds Tobacco Co. ....	756.00	700.00	56.00
50 Shares S. H. Kress Co. ....	2,793.75	2,422.12	371.63
100 Shares American Telephone and Telegraph Co. ....	19,900.00	15,504.13	4,395.87
42 North Carolina State Bonds .....	48,814.68	41,139.65	7,675.03
NET PROFIT—(TO EXHIBIT "G") .....			\$30,735.28



## GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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## PERMANENT FUND

Exhibit "J"

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., *Custodian*

## INVESTMENT IN BONDS

December 31, 1946

## Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad Company:

First Mortgage 3¼ % Bonds—

Principal Due July 1, 1960

Cost

Interest Due January 1 and July 1

Nos. 29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40

\$ 12,420.00

## U. S. Government Coupon Bonds:

No. 148646F 2-½ % Treasury 1967-72-- \$ 10,000.00

No. 148647H 2-½ % Treasury 1967-72-- 10,000.00

No. 148648 J 2-½ % Treasury 1967-72-- 10,000.00

No. 148649K 2-½ % Treasury 1967-72-- 10,000.00

No. 148650L 2-½ % Treasury 1967-72-- 10,000.00

(Interest June 15 and December 15)

\$ 50,000.00

52,218.75

No. 886F 2-¼ % Treasury 1959-62---- \$100,000.00

102,328.13

(Interest June 15 and December 15)

## U. S. Government Bonds—Series G

No. V455098G Dated May 1944----- \$ 5,000.00

No. V455099G Dated May 1944----- 5,000.00

No. V455100G Dated May 1944----- 5,000.00

15,000.00

No. M300128G Dated December 1941-- \$ 1,000.00

No. M300129G Dated December 1941-- 1,000.00

No. M300130G Dated December 1941-- 1,000.00

No. M300131G Dated December 1941-- 1,000.00

No. M300132G Dated December 1941-- 1,000.00

5,000.00

No. V267899G Dated July 1943----- 5,000.00

5,000.00

No. V250393G Dated April 1943----- \$ 5,000.00

No. V250394G Dated April 1943----- 5,000.00

No. V250395G Dated April 1943----- 5,000.00

15,000.00

TOTAL—(TO EXHIBIT "G")

\$206,966.88

Exhibit "K"

## PERMANENT FUND

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., *Custodian*

## INVESTMENT IN STOCKS

December 31, 1946

Number of Shares	Certificate Number	Kind	Cost
50	PO8540	—Carolina P. & L. Co. (\$5 Pfd.)---	\$ 5,950.00
50	PO8513	—Carolina P. & L. Co. (\$5 Pfd.—No Par)-----	5,250.00
50	TO33691	—Cannon Mills—(Common) -----	3,349.68

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

50	CC136173—The American Tobacco Co. (Common—Par \$25) -----	\$ 4,600.78
34	A 508471 —American Tel. & Tel. Co. (Common—Par \$100) -----	6,543.64
100	C 231334 —Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y. (Common No Par) -----	2,872.66
50	405023 —Consolidated Edison Co. of N. Y. (Common No Par) -----	1,436.34
460	8810 —Jefferson Standard Life Ins. Co. (Common Par \$10) -----	3,312.00
30	DO4877 —R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. (New Class B. Common-Par \$10)	1,340.40
100	D 2819 —R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. (New Class B. Common-Par \$10)	4,468.29
50	CO11335 —Duke Power Co. (Common—No Par) -----	5,172.00
50	O 112412 —United States Pipe and Foundry Co. (Common Par \$20) -	2,937.50
50	NF327984—Pullman Incorporated (Common—No Par) -----	3,093.75
50	ND111925—The American Rolling Mill Co. (Common Par \$10) -----	1,956.25
50	NC146823—The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. O (Common—No Par) -----	3,287.50
400	B 561 —Blue Bell, Inc. (Common—Par \$5) -----	9,500.00
100	—Masonic Temple Construction Co.	10,000.00

TOTAL—(TO EXHIBIT "G") -- \$75,070.79

## PERMANENT FUND Exhibit "G"

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., *Custodian*

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

December 31, 1946

## Assets: Cash:

Wachovia Bank and Trust Co.-----	\$251,888.26	\$
Raleigh Building and Loan Association	5,359.51	257,247.77

## Investments:

Bonds (Exhibit "J")-----	206,966.88	
Stocks (Exhibit "K")-----	75,070.79	
A. T. and T. 15-Year 2¾ % Convertible Debenture -----	500.00	282,537.67

Total Assets ----- \$539,785.44

## LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

## Liabilities:

## Surplus:

Balance January 1, 1946-----\$171,677.20

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Add:

From The Grand Lodge		
General Fund for Investment.....	65,000.00	
From Charity Reserve Fund.....	15,000.00	
From Masonic Tem. Con. Co.....	245,407.51	
Profit on Sale of Stocks and Bonds (Exhibit "H") .....	30,735.28	
Net Income from Operations (Exhibit "I") .....	11,965.45	
Surplus December 31, 1946.....		\$539,785.44
Total Liabilities and Surplus.....		\$539,785.44

Exhibit "L"

## MASONIC EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

December 31, 1946

Assets:

Investment in Bonds (Exhibit "N") .....	\$ 74,400.00
Liabilities.....	None
Surplus .....	\$ 74,400.00

Exhibit "M"

### CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

December 31, 1946

#### RECEIPTS

Interest on U. S. Government Bonds.....	\$ 997.50
Collection of E.C.T.C. Loan Fund Notes from Industrial Loan & Investment Bank.....	1,250.00
Total Receipts .....	\$ 2,247.50
Balance January 1, 1946.....	1,047.50
Total To Be Accounted For.....	\$ 3,295.00

#### DISBURSEMENTS

M. F. McKeel, Secretary Masonic Educational Loan Fund Committee.....	\$ 3,295.00
Total Accounted For.....	\$ 3,295.00

Exhibit "N"

## MASONIC EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., *Custodian*

### INVESTMENTS IN BONDS

December 31, 1946

U. S. Government Bonds—Series F:	
No. V 277375F—Dated July 1946.....	\$5,000.00

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

No. V 277376F—Dated July 1946-----	\$5,000.00	
No. V 277377F—Dated July 1946-----	5,000.00	\$15,000.00
No. D 593195F—Dated July 1946-----	\$ 500.00	
No. D 593196F—Dated July 1946-----	500.00	
No. D 593197F—Dated July 1946-----	500.00	
No. D 593198F—Dated July 1946-----	500.00	
No. D 593199F—Dated July 1946-----	500.00	
No. D 593207F—Dated July 1946-----	500.00	3,000.00
No. M1338497F—Dated August 1946-----	\$1,000.00	
No. M1338498F—Dated August 1946-----	1,000.00	2,000.00
No. V 277458F—Dated August 1946-----		5,000.00
No. D 617498F—Dated October 1, 1946---	\$ 500.00	
No. M1371887F—Dated October 1, 1946---	1,000.00	
No. M1371888F—Dated October 1, 1946---	1,000.00	
No. V 282108F—Dated October 1, 1946---	5,000.00	7,500.00
U. S. Government Bonds—Series G:		
No. V 268178G—Dated August 1943-----	\$5,000.00	
No. V 268179G—Dated August 1943-----	5,000.00	
No. V 268180G—Dated August 1943-----	5,000.00	
No. V 268181G—Dated August 1943-----	5,000.00	
No. V 268182G—Dated August 1943-----	5,000.00	
No. V 268183G—Dated August 1943-----	5,000.00	30,000.00
No. M1785002G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	
No. M1785003G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	
No. M1785004G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	
No. M1785005G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	
No. M1785006G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	
No. M1785007G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	
No. M1785008G—Dated August 1943-----	1,000.00	7,000.00
No. C 1659236G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659141G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659142G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659143G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659144G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659145G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659146G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659147G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	
No. C 1659148G—Dated August 1943-----	100.00	\$ 900.00
No. D1601059G—Dated November 1944---	\$ 500.00	
No. D1601060G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	
No. D1601061G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	
No. D1601062G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	
No. D1601063G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	
No. D1601064G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	
No. D1601065G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	
No. D1601066G—Dated November 1944---	500.00	4,000.00
Total (To Exhibit "L")-----		\$74,400.00

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 NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.  
 Schedule "A"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1946

ASSETS

Cash, Permanent Fund-----\$257,247.77

INVESTMENTS

Permanent Fund:

(a) Bonds:

U. S. Government-----\$194,546.88

Commercial ----- 12,420.00 \$206,966.88

(b) Commercial Stocks ----- 75,070.79

(c) Debentures ----- 500.00 \$282,537.67

Masonic Educational Loan Fund:

U. S. Government Bonds-----\$ 74,400.00

Total Assets ----- \$614,185.44

LIABILITIES

Net Worth, Permanent Fund-----\$539,785.44

Due to Masonic Edu. Loan Fund; U. S. Bonds-----\$ 74,400.00

TOTAL—Net Worth and Liabilities-----\$614,185.44

REPORT OF THE LODGE SERVICE COMMISSION

(Docket No. 39)

The Lodge Service Commission made the following report which was read and entered on the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

The adoption of Reg. 286 at the Annual Communication of last year made it necessary for the Lodge Service Commission to meet and consider a plan for handling applications for approval of building programs.

The Commission met in the office of the Grand Secretary on January 11, 1947. There were present M. W. William J. Bundy, Grand Master; R. W. Wilbur L. McIver, Grand Secretary; M. W. Chas. B. Newcomb, P. G. M.; W. D. S. Johnson; W. Burke W. Fox, and W. J. T. Ingram. Two members were absent: M. W. James E. Shipman, P. G. M.; and M. W. J. Giles Hudson, P. G. M.

At this meeting the Commission approved a form of application and discussed several proposed building plans, some of which were in proper shape for final action by the Commission.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Another meeting of the Commission was held during this Annual Communication at which all members of the Commission were present, except M. W. J. Giles Hudson, P. G. M. At this meeting an application, in proper form, by Atkinson Lodge No. 612, Atkinson, N. C., to purchase a building already erected, was approved as provided in Reg. 286.

Several lodges are contemplating building programs but are not yet prepared to submit their plans for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. BUNDY, *Grand Master*,  
CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *P. G. M., Chairman*,  
JAMES E. SHIPMAN, *P. G. M.*,  
W. L. McIVER, *Grand Secretary*,  
D. S. JOHNSON,  
B. W. FOX,  
J. T. INGRAM.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

(Docket No. 40)

The following report of the Board of Custodians was read, and M. W. Chas. B. Newcomb made the following motion which was adopted:

"That the report of the Board of Custodians be received and entered upon the record and that the recommendations and the resolutions proposed by the Board of Custodians in their report each be adopted."

(Notations have been made hereafter to show the action taken on each recommendation and resolution.)

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

The Board of Custodians did not hold a midsummer meeting during 1946 to exemplify the work. We feel that there is no need now for such reviews, because the Official Standard of the Work serves the same purpose better and at no expense, also because our examinations for proficiency are progressively harder to pass and our Certified members are not only well prepared in the ritualistic work but they are zealous in maintaining their proficiency.

## EXAMINATIONS FOR PROFICIENCY

Three examinations for proficiency in the Ritualistic Work have been held since April 16, 1946, as follows:

	Examined	Passed	Class "A"	Class "B"
Feb. 26, 1947----Greenville----	7	5	4	1
April 14, 1947---Raleigh-----	24	23	22	1



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April 15, 1947---Raleigh-----	21	21	17	4
Totals-----	52	49	43	6

Our present Roster of Certified Brethren is as follows:

Class	Number	Same on April 16, 1946	Change
"A" -----	114	102	+ 12
"B" -----	15	18	— 3
Totals -----	129	120	+ 9

A complete Roster of names and other data will be found at pages 223-238 of these Proceedings.

## SPECIAL MEETINGS

The Board met in Raleigh on January 11, 1947, to consider the program for 1947, and particularly as to the program for exemplification and examinations to be given during this Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. All members of the Board were present at that meeting, except Brother Jas. E. Shipman, P. G. M., Chairman, who was detained by illness.

## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of this Board was held in Raleigh on April 14, 1947, and another meeting was held on April 16th, at which all members of the Board were present.

The three degrees were exemplified on Tuesday under the direction of the Grand Lecturer, and two days were given to examination in the Ritualistic Work.

We record our appreciation for the fine cooperation by our Certified Lecturers and Certified Instructors, who have given freely of their time and ability in promoting the Lecture Service.

We also record our sincere regret at the loss of two of our Certified Lecturers during the year, Brothers Douglas Beaman Darden and David Washington Morton, who were faithful in supporting this work.

We have not found it necessary to make any changes in the Rules of December 19, 1945, governing the distribution and use of the Official Standard of the Work and the Vocabulary, as these rules now appear on pages 112-114 of the Proceedings of 1946.

To carry out the recommendation of the Grand Master in regard to the fee for instruction by Assistant Grand Lecturers, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

**\*BE IT RESOLVED:** That the fee for instruction in the Ritualistic Work by a Certified Lecturer shall not exceed Thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for one week's instruction, or the equivalent thereof, and the fee for instruction in the Ritualistic Work by an Assistant Grand Lecturer shall not exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

for one week's instruction, or the equivalent thereof, and that the Rules for the Government of the Lecture Service be amended accordingly.

(\*This resolution was adopted.)

\*We submit herewith, as an exhibit attached to this report, the revised Rules for the Government of the Lecture Service to make those Rules conform to the foregoing resolution, and we recommend that the Rules be approved.

(\*This recommendation was adopted.)

(See Pages 238-241 these Proceedings for Rules.)

#### ILLUSTRATIONS USED IN DEGREE WORK

Our attention has been called to the use of lantern slides, films, and other methods of illustrating parts of the ritualistic work in our lodges. These illustrations give in pictures some of the work which may not even be put in printed form, either by pictures or in words because the subjects have to do with the unwritten work.

We present this matter to the Grand Lodge because this Board feels very strongly that there should be a limit to the use of such illustrations in the several degrees.

We have before us now a catalogue circulated in this State in which is offered 112 illustrations for the First Degree, 116 illustrations for the Second Degree and 132 illustrations for the Third Degree, a total of 360 illustrations for the Three Degrees. All of these can be purchased on films and show the extent to which these illustrations may be obtained.

We acknowledge the value of visual instruction, but we also recognize that one can go too far with such illustrations in demonstrating our ritual.

We feel that those illustrations given in Bahnson's Manual are sufficient and that no lodge should use any additional pictures than those which illustrate material printed in that Manual, until the Grand Lodge has given its approval.

We feel that films or slides are no more safe than printed books, therefore we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

**\*BE IT RESOLVED:** That subordinate lodges shall not use any pictures, either by films, lantern slides, or otherwise, in conferring or exemplifying the three Symbolic Degrees, other than pictures which illustrate material printed in Bahnson's Manual.

(\*This resolution was adopted.)

We offer the following recommendation in the form of a resolution:

**\*BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Board of Custodians be authorized to continue the program of Examinations for Proficiency

in the Ritualistic Work as heretofore approved by this Grand Lodge in 1941 (Pages 102-103, Proceedings of 1941), and as again approved in 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, and 1946 (Page 111, Proceedings of 1946).

(\*This resolution was adopted.)

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master*,  
GARRASON A. FARROW, *Grand Lecturer*,  
JAMES E. SHIPMAN, *P. G. M., Chairman*,  
CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *P. G. M., Chairman*,  
CRAVEN E. HARRINGTON, *P. M., C.L.*

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Grand Master announced that the time for election of officers had arrived and he appointed the following tellers:

Brothers T. O. Kepley (99), Haywood C. Porter (1), C. T. Griffin (7), M. Y. Jarrett (459) and R. W. King, Jr. (284).

THE GRAND MASTER: Brethren, you will now prepare your ballots for Grand Master. The election resulted as follows:

<i>Grand Master</i> -----	LUTHER THOMPSON HARTSELL, JR. ( 32) Concord
<i>Deputy Grand Master</i> --	MAXWELL ELLIS HOFFMAN (118) Asheville
<i>Senior Grand Warden</i> --	WILKINS PERRYMAN HORTON (102) Pittsboro
<i>Junior Grand Warden</i> --	WALLACE E. CALDWELL (408) Chapel Hill
<i>Grand Treasurer</i> -----	HERBERT C. ALEXANDER ( 31) Charlotte
<i>Grand Secretary</i> -----	WILBUR L. MCIVER (151) Raleigh

### DIRECTORS AND REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED

#### DIRECTOR OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.

R.:W.:Brother Luther Thompson Hartsell, Jr., (32) was elected to succeed M.:W.:Brother Charles B. Newcomb, P. G. M., (1) on the Board of Directors of The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., the term ex-

piring in 1952, M.·W.·Brother Newcomb making the nomination.

REPRESENTATIVE TO GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC  
NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

M.·W.·Brother J. Edward Allen, P. G. M. (10) was elected to succeed himself as Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

M.·W.·Brother J. Edward Allen, P. G. M. (10) was elected to succeed himself as Representative to The Masonic Service Association of the United States.

MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC  
EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

W.·Brother Ralph L. Chandler (484) was elected a member of the Committee on the Masonic Educational Loan Fund to succeed Brother William B. Hodge (31).

DIRECTOR OF OXFORD ORPHANAGE, INC.

W.·Brother Millard F. McKeel (104) was elected to succeed himself on the Board of Directors of Oxford Orphanage, Inc., for a term expiring in 1952.

DIRECTOR OF THE MASONIC AND  
EASTERN STAR HOME, INC.

The following were duly elected as Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc.,

1. W.·Brother W. M. York (542), to succeed himself, for a term expiring in 1952.
2. Brother Charles M. Gueth (674), to succeed W.·Brother Frank I. Watson (40), W.·Brother Watson having requested that he be relieved of the duties of that office.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
OXFORD ORPHANAGE

(Docket No. 41)

The following report of the Committee on Oxford Orphanage was read and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

Your Oxford Orphanage Committee wishes to add its own simple but very sincere tribute to the memory of Creasy Kinion Proctor who for eighteen expendable years gave himself unselfishly to the high calling of rehabilitating and conserving North Carolina's greatest asset, its youth. Succeeding generations alone can properly appraise his value as the spiritual benefactor of those whose lives he touched at Oxford and of whom he is and shall continue to be a part.

With the same measure of sincerity we congratulate the Board of Directors of our great institution on their wise and happy choice of Alan DeLeon Gray as his most worthy successor. For Superintendent Gray, equipped by discipline of mind and of heart, for his great task, the call to Oxford Orphanage means an opportunity to mirror God's image in the life of man; the realization of life long ambition, and the opportunity to live completely, satisfactorily, and abundantly. Our brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction are finding it easy to give to Leon Gray, lovable personality, the same full measure of admiration, trust, confidence, and personal esteem which they so freely gave to him whom he succeeds.

Your committee again expresses sincere commendation to the Board of Directors, the governing body of the Oxford Orphanage, who have so freely given of their valuable time and outstanding ability to the successful administration of the institution's fiscal affairs; to the loyal and efficient staff of the Orphanage; and to prosperous North Carolina Masonry which for the first time has contributed an amount equal to fifty per cent of the total budget of the Orphanage.

Your Orphanage Committee is not unaware of the great work done by the Oxford Orphanage Committees of the several subordinate lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction. We most heartily rejoice in the results of their labor and sincerely urge and recommend a continuation of their unselfish efforts.

We would most earnestly remind our brethren that now in the days of prosperity we must continue to accrue substantial reserves in order to be able to make expenditures for sorely needed and essential improvements in our plant when the cost approaches the pre-war level.

We sincerely congratulate The Orphans' Friend, organ of the Oxford Orphanage, and its able Editor on the publication's strength

as the champion of the honor, glory, and the reputation of Freemasonry. As such it deserves to be in the home of every North Carolina Mason. Lodges are most earnestly invited to give consideration to the plan of subscribing for their entire membership, a plan now successfully in effect in an increasing number of lodges.

We covet for every Mason in North Carolina the joy and spiritual satisfaction of having a part in the erection of a chapel at the Orphanage, undertaken under the leadership of the York Rite Bodies.

We concur in the dream and laud the ambition of that staunch friend of the Orphanage for many years, Past Master Brother Adam Husman, to erect at the Orphanage a Master's Cottage. All our brethren are reminded that this is an appeal for a building which is badly needed. We sincerely urge all Masters, Past Masters, District Deputies, and Secretaries to accept the leadership of this undertaking, believing that once it is brought forcibly to the attention of our Brethren, Brother Husman's unselfish dream and lofty ambition will become a reality and the Master's Cottage at Oxford become a living memorial to the faithfulness, the zeal, and the generosity of North Carolina Masonry.

Finally, we proudly hail North Carolina Masonry's great accomplishment and view with pride its immeasurable investment in character which shall continue to pay high dividends in good times and in bad. To all our Brethren we say, "Visit your Orphanage," knowing that once you do, this great program to aid and assist will continue to receive your support in keeping with your personal means and your abiding interest.

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. ROOKER, JR., *As Chairman*,  
HARRY M. MCLEAN,  
JAMES T. C. WRIGHT,  
CLARENCE H. PARKER,  
R. F. JARRETT,  
B. B. SUGG.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(Docket No. 42)

The following report of the Committee on Finance was read and, with the exception of that section relating to full time Grand Lecturer, was unanimously adopted by sections and then it was adopted as a whole:

*To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

Your Finance Committee reports that they have checked the report of the Grand Secretary and the audit of the Grand Auditor, and find that the Grand Secretary's office received the following



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amounts from the sources tabulated, and in parallel column are shown estimates made in 1946:

	Estimated	Actual
1. Previous year dues-----	\$ None	\$ 1,823.50
2. Current year dues-----	131,691.00	132,591.50
3. Dues paid in advance-----	None	2,392.50
4. Dispensations -----	None	250.00
5. Charter Fees -----	None	60.00
6. Audit Refund Expense-----	375.00	385.00
7. Miscellaneous -----	400.00	4,706.02
8. Bahnson Manual a/c-----	None	920.39
9. Drewry Memorial Fund-----	1,750.00	1,966.95
<b>Total-----</b>	<b>\$134,216.00</b>	<b>\$145,095.86</b>

We again have underestimated our income by \$10,879.86, which was caused by the income from all sources being greater than was anticipated. However, our expenses were in some instances greater than was anticipated, in which we underestimated our expenses by \$805.71, Altogether our underestimate of revenue was \$10,074.15 greater than expenses, which amount includes \$2,392.50, dues paid in advance not anticipated.

We have carefully checked the report of the Board of Directors of Masonic Foundation, Incorporated, and we commend the management of this Permanent Fund in their charge.

We recommend that \$50,000.00 be transferred to the Masonic Foundation from the current fund surplus for investment.

We are happy to note that the amount due Grand Lodge from lodges has been reduced from \$1,785.50, as of December 31, 1945, to \$602.25, as of December 31, 1946.

## GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance, January 1, 1946-----	\$ 55,731.58
Received from Grand Secretary-----	144,855.88
Interest on Bank Balances-----	158.44
<b>Total-----</b>	<b>\$200,745.90</b>
Payments of Vouchers for Operation-----	\$172,595.67
Bank Charges Grand Treasurer a/c-----	4.76
Balance in Banks, December 31, 1946----	28,145.47
<b>Total-----</b>	<b>\$200,745.90</b>

## GROUPING OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual	Budget
A. Institutions and Charity-----	\$ 64,195.00	\$ 64,500.00
B. Salaries -----	8,713.50	8,575.00
C. Masonic Dues -----	1,176.65	1,160.00

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

	Actual	Budget
D. Sundry Expense -----	\$ 8,861.33	\$ 10,075.00
E. Expense—Rep. outside State-----	174.22	530.00
F. Expense—Grand Secretary's Office---	3,937.22	3,325.00
G. Annual and Special Com. Expense----	2,385.02	1,780.00
H. District Dep. Traveling Expense-----	892.26	1,500.00
I. Miscellaneous -----	17,015.51	15,100.00
J. Transferred to N. C. Mas. Foundation	65,000.00	None
K. Accrued With. and So. Sec. Tax-----	276.50	None
L. Petty Cash -----	50.00	None
Total-----	\$172,677.21	
Less exchange on Non-Par Checks---	81.54	
Total-----	\$172,595.67	\$106,545.00

For details of payment compared with 1946 Budget see Grand Secretary's Report in this Proceedings.

## ESTIMATE OF INCOME IN 1947

1. 39,367 Masons @ \$2.50-----	\$ 98,417.50	
2. 4,635 Initiations @ \$1.00-----	4,635.00	
3. 4,635 Charity Fees @ \$10.00-----	46,350.00	
4. Drewry Fund Income-----	1,750.00	
5. Refund on Audits-----	375.00	
6. Miscellaneous -----	400.00	
Total Estimated Income-----	\$151,927.50	
Total Budgeted Expense-----		\$114,920.00
Balance -----		\$ 37,007.50

## BUDGET

In preparing the Budget, we recognize that the appropriations in heading "A," Oxford Orphanage, Masonic and Eastern Star Home, and Charity "B," Salaries, and "C," Masonic Dues, are expected to be for the full amount; while the appropriations "D," Sundry Expenses, "E," out of State Expense of Representatives, "F," Office Expense of the Grand Secretary, "G," Annual Communications Expense, "H," D. D. G. M. Travel Expense, and "I," Miscellaneous, are authorizations to spend so much thereof as may be needed.

Furthermore, we recommend that the Grand Master authorize and direct as to when the several appropriations shall be paid by warrant of the Grand Secretary, and that the Grand Master have authority, when he deems it advisable, for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, to suspend the allotment made to any committee, activity or agency of the Grand Lodge.

Furthermore, we recommend that, when it shall appear to be for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master be

authorized to give written authorization for this Budget to be exceeded, or for any department, agency or office to incur out of ordinary expense not herein provided for.

*A. Oxford Orphanage, Masonic and Eastern Star Home and Charity*

1. Oxford Orphanage .....	\$ 50,000.00
2. Masonic and Eastern Star Home.....	13,500.00
3. Charity .....	2,000.00

\$ 65,500.00

*B. Salaries*

1. Grand Secretary .....	\$ 4,400.00
2. Grand Treasurer .....	150.00
3. Grand Tyler .....	25.00
4. Clerical Help, Grand Secretary.....	6,500.00
5. Grand Librarian .....	600.00

\$ 11,675.00

*C. Masonic Dues*

1. Masonic Service Association.....	\$ 1,050.00
2. Grand Masters' Conference.....	90.00
3. Grand Secretary's Guild.....	15.00
4. Masonic Relief Association.....	200.00

\$ 1,355.00

*D. Sundry Expense:*

1. Grand Master's Expense.....	\$ 1,000.00
2. Grand Secretary's Travel.....	600.00
3. Grand Treasurer's Office.....	150.00
4. Foreign Correspondent .....	300.00
5. Deputy Grand Master, Travel Expense.....	200.00
6. Grand Lecturers .....	4,800.00
7. Auditing Expense .....	600.00
8. Bonds .....	125.00
9. Printing Proceedings .....	1,500.00

\$ 9,275.00

*E. Expenses, Grand Representatives Out of State*

1. Grand Masters' Conference, Grand Master.....	\$ 75.00
2. Grand Masters' Conference, Grand Secretary.....	75.00
3. Grand Masters' Conference, Deputy Gr. Master..	75.00
4. Visiting Other Grand Lodges, Grand Master.....	75.00
5. Visiting Other Grand Lodges, Grand Secretary..	75.00
6. Visiting Other Grand Lodges, Dep. Gr. Master...	75.00
7. Geo. Washington Nat. Masonic Mem. Ass'n.....	50.00
8. Masonic Service Association.....	30.00

\$ 530.00

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

*F. Expense Grand Secretary's Office*

1. Rent -----	\$ 1,155.00
2. Office Expense -----	1,800.00
2A. Equipment -----	1,500.00
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	\$ 4,455.00

*G. Annual Communication Expense*

1. Grand Officers' Expense -----	\$ 400.00
2. Past Grand Officers' Expense -----	300.00
3. D. D. G. M. Expense -----	700.00
4. Custodians' and Lecturers' Expense -----	150.00
5. Others, Expense -----	50.00
6. Credentials Committee -----	30.00
7. Past Grand Master's Jewel -----	150.00
8. Grand Master's Apron -----	100.00
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	\$ 1,880.00

*H. District Deputies*

1. Visiting Lodges -----	\$ 1,500.00
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*I. Miscellaneous*

1. Contingent -----	\$ 3,000.00
2. Printing Code -----	1,000.00
3. Code Commission -----	500.00
4. Custodians -----	1,200.00
5. Geo. Washington Nat. Memorial Association -----	4,000.00
6. Grand Secretary Emeritus -----	1,200.00
7. Mas. Service Association for Hospital Visitation -----	2,000.00
8. Relief of European Masonry -----	3,000.00
9. By-Laws Committee -----	50.00
10. Moving and Remodeling Library -----	2,500.00
11. Lodge Service Commission -----	300.00
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	\$ 18,750.00

## RECAPITULATION

A. Oxford Orphanage, Masonic Home and Charity -----	\$ 65,500.00
B. Salaries -----	11,675.00
C. Masonic Dues -----	1,355.00
D. Sundry Expenses -----	9,275.00
E. Expense, Grand Representatives, Out of State -----	530.00
F. Expense, Grand Secretary's Office -----	4,455.00
G. Annual Communication Expense -----	1,880.00
H. District Deputies Visiting Lodges -----	1,500.00
I. Miscellaneous -----	18,750.00
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	\$114,920.00

We find that during the year of 1946 the Grand Secretary expended \$133.11 out of his own pocket for travel expense more

than the appropriation set out in the budget for 1946. We recommend that the Grand Secretary be reimbursed in this amount out of the contingent fund.

We recommend the Social Security that has to be deducted from the wages of the employees of the Grand Lodge be paid in full by the Grand Lodge, same to be paid from the contingent fund.

In the matter of the communication from a Brother of Forest Hills, Long Island, N. Y., carrying check for \$500.00 and setting out certain requests for the use thereof, the committee does not believe the Grand Lodge should deposit this check under the conditions contained in the letter. We recommend that the Grand Master acknowledge receipt of the letter and check and in such letter set forth the activity of our Grand Lodge at Oxford Orphanage, ascertaining if the Brother would be satisfied to have this amount \$500.00, set up under a special endowment fund under such conditions as might be agreed upon.

The matter of the B. F. Moore Legacy which was donated to the Grand Lodge as Trustee for the benefit of the Oxford Orphanage with a contingent reversion to the University of North Carolina, has been referred to this committee. We note that this money was loaned to the Masonic Temple Construction Company, Incorporated, and that the Note for \$1,000.00 is now held by the Oxford Orphanage. Because of the legal questions involved, this committee does not consider itself legally-minded enough to handle this matter and recommends that it be referred to the Grand Master for his action.

After due consideration, this committee unanimously recommends that the Grand Lecturer be not made a full-time employee of the Grand Lodge at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

WATSON N. SHERROD, *Chairman*,  
LESTER H. GILLIKIN,  
W. L. RAMSEY,  
E. T. HOWARD,  
J. C. HOBBS,  
W. H. WHITE,  
H. W. PRINCE.

The report of the Committee on Finance, less the last section relative to a full-time Grand Lecturer, was unanimously adopted.

#### ACTION RELATIVE TO FULL TIME GRAND LECTURER

That section of the report of the Committee on Finance relative to a full time Grand Lecturer (viz, "After due consideration, this committee unanimously recom-

mends that the Grand Lecturer be not made a full time employee of the Grand Lodge at this time.") having not been adopted, the following motion, after having been thoroughly discussed by the Brethren, was adopted by a rising vote of eight-nine (89) for and sixty-nine (69) against:

"RESOLVED, That the matter of the employment of a full time Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge be referred to the Board of Custodians to make thorough investigation and report at the next regular Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina."

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

(Docket No. 43)

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Educational Loan Fund was read, received and entered upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

Your Committee on the Masonic Educational Loan Fund wishes to make its annual report as of December 31, 1946.

There is attached to and made a part of this report, merely as information, a detailed financial statement for the year. Briefly summarized, the Committee has received and collected from the colleges and from interest on bonds, a total of \$21,758.00, the beginning balance January 1, 1946, being \$2,502.59. The total of receipts and balance is \$24,230.17, of this total there has been invested in bonds \$24,050.00. These bonds have been turned over to the North Carolina Masonic Foundation as the authorized holder of the Committee's bonds.

The bonds on hand are as follows:

Bonds bought in 1943.....	\$37,900.00
Bonds bought in 1944.....	4,000.00
Bonds bought in 1946.....	24,050.00
Bonds bought in 1947 to date.....	7,400.00

Grand total invested in bonds.....	\$73,350.00
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The original allotment to the several colleges being \$85,000.00.

There are indications that the Committee will shortly receive funds which will bring the receipts to at least the total of the original allotments.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. J. HARKINS, MILLARD F. McKEEL, *Secretary,*  
ROSS E. SHUMAKER, *For the Committee.*



STATEMENT OF MASONIC EDUCATIONAL LOAN  
FUND COMMITTEE

1946

## RECEIPTS

January 1, 1946 to December 31, 1946

April 19—Davidson	-----	\$ 1,839.93
June 27—Duke	-----	1,077.12
June 29—Mitchell	-----	320.30
June 29—Campbell	-----	984.54
July 1—Wake Forest	-----	2,745.97
July 5—Appalachian	-----	3,161.63
July 8—Mars Hill	-----	1,076.68
July 13—Interest Wachovia	-----	3.37
July 16—Atlantic Christian	-----	2,555.36
July 25—Guilford	-----	2,643.05
Oct. 8—N. C. Foundation,		
E.C.T.C. Notes	-----	\$1,250.00
Interest	-----	2,045.00
		<hr/> 3,295.00
Oct. 21—Greensboro	-----	2,024.63
		<hr/> \$21,727.58
Beginning Balances:		
Wachovia	-----	\$ 702.11
Security	-----	1,800.48
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Total Receipts and Balance	-----	\$24,230.17
Investments, Bonds	-----	24,050.00
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Balance December 31, 1946	-----	180.17
Guaranty Bank and Trust Co., Balance	-----	\$ 180.17

## RECEIPTS

January 1, 1947 to April 10, 1947

Feb. 7—Chowan	-----	\$ 350.93
Mar. 11—Chowan	-----	815.40
Mar. 17—Peace	-----	328.16
Mar. 17—High Point	-----	628.79
Mar. 24—Catawba	-----	1,000.00
Mar. 29—E.C.T.C. Notes	-----	37.30
Mar. 29—E.C.T.C. Notes	-----	136.10
April 3—Catawba	-----	1,000.00
April 5—Louisburg	-----	449.23
April 5—Catawba	-----	500.00
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		\$ 5,245.91

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Forward from page 189-----	\$ 5,245.91
Balance January 1, 1947-----	\$ 180.17
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	\$ 5,426.08
Investment, Bonds -----	2,960.00
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Balance April 10, 1947-----	\$ 2,466.08
Guaranty Bank and Trust Co., Balance-----	2,466.08

## RECEIPTS

April 10, 1947 to April 12, 1947

April 11—Flora Macdonald -----	\$ 2,269.18
Balance April 10, 1947-----	2,466.08
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	\$ 4,735.26
Investments, Bonds -----	4,440.00
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Balance April 12, 1947-----	\$ 295.26

## BONDS:

Bought Jan. 1, 1946 to Dec. 31, 1946-----	\$24,050.00
Bought Jan. 1, 1947 to April 10, 1947-----	2,960.00
Bought April 11, 1947-----	4,440.00
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	\$31,450.00
Bought 1943 -----	\$37,900.00
Bought 1944 -----	4,000.00
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Total Bonds North Carolina Foundation-----	\$73,350.00

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

(DOCKET No. 44)

The following report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations was read and adopted:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:*

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommend that:

Petition for Charter by Providence Lodge U. D. operating at Columbia, Tyrrell County. All books and records examined and found in good condition. Sufficient evidence produced that this Lodge can and does confer the degrees in a proficient manner. The proposed by-laws are good. This committee recommends this Lodge be granted a charter, said lodge to be known as Providence Lodge

Number 678, Bro. John Melson, Master, Brother Loyd Davenport, Senior Warden, Brother J. Dallas Bridgman, Junior Warden.

Petition for Charter by Creasy Proctor Lodge U. D. operating at Fayetteville, N. C. All books and records examined and found in good condition. Sufficient evidence produced that this Lodge can and does confer the degrees in a proficient manner. The proposed by-laws are good. This committee recommends this Lodge be granted a charter, said Lodge to be known as Creasy Proctor Lodge Number 679, Brother Daniel Lacy McRainey, Master, Brother Gilbert Mansfield Honeycutt, Senior Warden, Brother Luby Joseph Gardner, Junior Warden.

Petition for Charter by Semper Fidelis Lodge U. D. operating at Midway Park, Onslow County, N. C. All books and records and reports examined and found in good order. Sufficient evidence produced that this Lodge can and does confer the degrees in a proficient manner. This committee recommends that this Lodge be granted a Charter, said Lodge to be known as Semper Fidelis Lodge Number 680. Brother George Crary Faville, Jr., Master, Brother Joseph Robert Foster, Sr. Warden, Brother James Garland Crouch, Junior Warden, being the Brethren named to the respective stations in the dispensation of the Grand Master authorizing the formation of this Lodge.

Petition for Charter by Piedmont Lodge U. D. operating at High Point, N. C. All books, records and reports examined and found in good order. Sufficient evidence produced that this Lodge can and does confer the degrees in a proficient manner. This committee recommends that this Lodge be granted a Charter, said Lodge to be known as Piedmont Lodge Number 681, Brother Hugh Clements Bennett, Master, Brother Glenn Gray Perry, Senior Warden, Brother Woodroe Franklin Haywood, Junior Warden.

Request of Carthage Lodge Number 181 for a duplicate charter. Sufficient evidence being presented showing that the charter of this Lodge has been damaged by a storm to such extent that it is not presentable or useful to this Lodge, this committee recommends that this Lodge be issued a duplicate Charter in accordance with the Grand Lodge regulations covering such action.

Request for Duplicate Charter by Lebanon Lodge Number 207 of Whiteville, N. C. After conferring with Brother William Harley Stevens, Senior Warden of said Lodge, and perusal of all correspondence between this Lodge, the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, this committee finds sufficient evidence that the Lebanon Lodge Charter has been lost and after diligent search cannot be found, this committee recommends a duplicate Charter be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

D. ERNEST BULLUCK, *Chairman,*

R. E. LEVAN,	CHAS. P. SEPARK,
A. J. CREASMAN,	JOHN H. PARKER.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER

(Docket No. 45)

The Grand Lecturer made the following report, which was read and entered on the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

I herewith submit my annual report as Grand Lecturer:

The year was started by a conference with all the District Deputy Grand Masters, arranged in four groups. In company with the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, I attended these conferences held at Greenville, Fayetteville, Asheville and Salisbury. They were most beneficial, being held at the beginning of the year and were well attended, only 4 of the 40 District Deputies failing to attend. The program for the year was outlined and discussed in detail.

During the year I have made numerous visits to various lodges over a wide area, and have been received with a cordial welcome and hospitality. On each of these occasions, I have had the opportunity of speaking on our new system of Lecture Service and urging the brethren to prepare themselves for the Proficiency Examinations; also, I explained the plan of Schools of Instruction. Without exception this met with an enthusiastic response, and I am confident will bear good fruit in the near future.

The Certified Lecturers have done a fine work this year. The following is the statistical record of Lodges lectured, viz:

	1946	1947	Total
By Brother P. C. Stott, Ass't. Grand Lecturer	41	7	48
By Various Certified Lecturers	77	11	88
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>136</b>

This is a splendid record, when you recall that this is our first full year under the new system. However, this represents only a small part of the constructive work done by our Class "A" and class "B" men. In addition to the above figures, these Lecturers and Instructors have been constantly, throughout the year, coaching and assisting their own and neighboring lodges. The benefits from this latter work cannot be evaluated. It is an unselfish work, performed cheerfully without the hope of fee or reward. They have contributed, not only of their time but also travel and incidental expense. To them, it has been a labor of love. Much of the improved condition of the Fraternity should be credited to these brethren, who have made a real contribution to Masonry. To this corps of devoted Masons, I give the highest praise.

However, to make our program a success, we are in great need of more Certified Lecturers. There are several Districts that have

not one. We need, and must have, Certified Lecturers in every District to furnish needed Lecture Service to lodges, and to inaugurate the Schools of Instruction. We appeal to each of you, brethren, to support this program and carry to each lodge in North Carolina this need of additional Lecturers, that we may rapidly expand our program. I am sure this appeal will find a response in the hearts of all in our Grand Jurisdiction.

I wish to commend the many Certified Lecturers, Instructors and District Deputy Grand Masters who have ably supported our program. The results are most gratifying. At the beginning of the year the reports showed a most deplorable condition existing in many of our lodges; some of them could not confer by themselves, all three of our degrees, while in some instances could not confer any degree in full form. However, I am happy to report that in many cases this has been remedied, at least to an appreciable degree.

The Schools of Instruction have not been launched as effectively as I would wish. This is due to several causes, which can be corrected. However, these Schools have been conducted in several Districts with much success.

Two of the most outstanding are Brother John E. Oakes, District Deputy in the 23rd District, and Brother R. E. Levan, District Deputy in the 29th District. They have organized these schools and conducted them according to plan. The reports from all parts of these two Districts give unqualified endorsement of the success of the Schools.

I am convinced that the Schools of Instruction, coordinating with the Lecture Service, is the most effective means of raising the Standard of our ritualistic work. It is the happy medium by which we can instruct in Groups. The purposes of these schools are to elevate the standards of the Group, and thru organization to pool ideas and ideals toward a finer and more efficient service to the lodge, the officers and membership at large. I consider these schools as the solution to the problem which confronts us today. Ritualistic Proficiency in each lodge is essential and necessary to our future well being. For the success of these Schools, we must have Certified Lecturers in each District, and close cooperation between them and the District Deputies.

It is with sorrow that I have to report the death of two of our Certified Lecturers during the year, Douglas Beaman Darden of Stantonsburg, and David Washington Morton of Raleigh. In the passing of these brethren we have lost two faithful workers and the craft two devoted Masons.

In conclusion, I wish to express to each member of the Board of Custodians my sincere appreciation for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. FARROW, *Grand Lecturer.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON CREDENTIALS

(DOCKET No. 46)

W. Brother C. T. McClenaghan, P. M., Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the following final report of his Committee, which was received and spread upon the record:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

Lodges represented-----	206	Representatives present:	485
Line Officers present----	19		
P. G. M.'s present-----	12		
D. D. G. M.'s present----	27		
*Custodians present (5)---	1		
A. G. L. present	1		

60

Official Representatives and Officers present-----545

\*The total five members of Board of Custodians were present.

Four are shown as officers of the Grand Lodge, therefore, one, Brother Craven E. Harrington, only, is added above.

The attendance was excellent.

The Credentials filed are neat and possibly in better shape than heretofore.

Fraternally submitted,  
C. T. McCLENAGHAN, P. M. (218),  
*Chairman,*  
S. M. YOUNG, P. M. (40)  
J. W. KELLOGG, P. M. (500),  
*Committee.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC  
JURISPRUDENCE

(Docket No. 47)

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence made the following report, which was read and adopted by sections, and then it was adopted as a whole:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:*

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully submits the following report, and for convenience we use the same subjects and titles of sub-heads or divisions of the Address of the



Grand Master as used by him, or as used in any report, or other document submitted for our consideration and action in all of our references to those matters and subjects:

#### ARREST OF CHARTER

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the arrest of the Charter of Rock Springs Lodge No. 341, as reported by the Grand Master.

#### PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master in each case reported in his address under this subject, but not for the purpose of establishing a precedent for the future in similar cases.

#### CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE

The action reported by the Grand Master under this subject conforms to the law and we recommend that it be approved by the Grand Lodge.

#### MEETING WITHOUT CHARTER

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action reported by the Grand Master under this subject.

#### CONCURRENT JURISDICTION

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action reported under this subject in the Address of the Grand Master.

#### INVASION OF JURISDICTION

The three cases reported by the Grand Master under this subject were properly disposed of, and we recommend that the Grand Lodge approve his action in each case.

#### RESIDENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve all of the rulings reported by the Grand Master under this subject.

#### RULINGS AND DECISIONS

Under this subject the Grand Master reports fourteen (14) cases. We recommend the approval of all of his decisions except No. 12.

As to Rulings and Decision No. 7, we recommend that the Grand Lodge approve this item on the facts in that particular case, but not as establishing a precedent for future decisions on Section 133 of the Code.

There are circumstances in which a candidate may comply with that Section by a letter, as to giving notice that he is ready, if he is ready for examination and advancement, but Section 133 requires that the candidate must present himself within six months after

the last degree was conferred upon him, and it clearly implies that at the time he presents himself he must be proficient in the work of that degree as required in Sec. 132. He has not complied with Sec. 133 merely in presenting himself, or notifying his lodge in any manner, if he is not at that time proficient and ready for examination as required in Sec. 132.

We are of the opinion that the words "present himself" as used in Sec. 133 include also the words "being proficient at the time as required by Sec. 132."

As to Ruling and Decision No. 12: In this case the damage had been done before the matter was presented to the Grand Master. We do not concur in this Ruling and Decision. We are of the opinion;

- 1: That multiple ballot boxes in a secret ballot under Sec. 127 are not authorized by our law or custom, and the use of more than one ballot box in a secret ballot is a clear violation of the intent and purpose of Sections 125, 126 and 127 and should be specifically prohibited, and we so recommend.
- 2: That there is no authority under our law and custom, for any other procedure in the secret ballot on petitions for the degrees than as set forth in Sections 125, 126, and 127 of the Code, and a petitioner who has been declared rejected in a secret ballot cannot be again balloted on within twelve months of the date of this rejection. (Sec. 127; Reg. 184, p. 72 of the Code).
- 3: That no second ballot under Sec. 127 is valid or proper if any member of the lodge present at the first ballot is not present in the lodge room when the second ballot is taken on that petitioner, and there shall not be any intervening action between the first and second ballots, but the second ballot shall *immediately* follow the first one as required in Sec. 127 of the Code, and that no member except the Tyler shall be excused from the lodge room, or enter the lodge room, between such ballots, and every member present shall be required to vote.
- 4: That the foregoing are indispensable to maintain the integrity of the secret ballot and to guarantee to every member the right to cast his ballot privately for or against a petitioner as provided in Sec. 125.

The question is now moot as it applies to the particular case of Mr. "Y", but for the guidance of the Craft hereafter we recommend that Ruling and Decision No. 12 be modified to make it agree with the opinion expressed in the foregoing four paragraphs.

We also recommend that multiple ballot boxes in secret balloting under Section 127 of the Code be prohibited.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION 286

The proposed amendments to Regulation 286 which were referred to this Committee yesterday (and which had been printed and distributed in advance to all in attendance at this Annual Communication), have been carefully considered and we recommend that the proposed amendments be further amended, and as further amended, that the same be adopted to make Regulation 286 after all amendments read as follows:

## REG. 286: LODGE BUILDINGS AND INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR:

- i. No Lodge shall hereafter lease for more than two years, or erect, or purchase a building, or any part thereof, or purchase or lease land for the construction of a lodge building; nor shall a lodge pledge its credit or issue bonds, notes or other evidence of debt therefor, or subscribe to or guarantee the stock or bonds of any building association or company, either in the name of the Lodge or under the name of a building association or company formed by Masons, within or without the Lodge, for any building project, until definite plans of the building and the full plan for financing thereof have been presented to, and have been expressly approved by, the Lodge Service Commission of the Grand Lodge.
- ii. No Lodge shall enter into a joint enterprise with any other group, body, organization or other entity, except another Masonic Lodge or recognized Masonic Body composed wholly of Masons, in the construction, ownership, and management of a building, unless the same has been expressly approved by the Lodge Service Commission of the Grand Lodge.
- iii. No lodge shall grant a lease for more than two years of any real estate in which it has any interest; and no subordinate lodge shall hereafter be or become a party in creating or organizing a civil corporation for the purpose of purchasing or leasing real estate, or for erecting or maintaining a building for any purpose whatever, or for amending the civil charter of any such corporation now existing for the same purposes, until the proposed lease or charter, or the proposed amendment to any existing charter of such civil corporation, shall have been approved by the Lodge Service Commission.
- iv. Wherever possible, a Lodge should have and maintain complete control over its meeting place.
- v. In handling applications made under this Regulation, the Lodge Service Commission may exercise the authority assigned to it by the Grand Lodge in 1936 Proceedings at page 122, and it shall have full power and authority to make such rules, from time to time, as may be found necessary to provide an orderly procedure for handling and disposing of such applications, and by decision of a majority of the Commission it may approve or reject any application.

- vi. A lodge shall have the right to appeal to the Grand Lodge from the decision of the Commission on its application under this Regulation.
- vii. The Grand Lodge is in no sense responsible for the payment of any debts or obligations of subordinate Lodges beyond that set forth in Section 137 of the Code of 1924.
- viii. The Regulations or other enactments, except the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, heretofore made which conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

(Adopted April 16, 1947.)

(Annotate to Section 66, at Page 35 of the Code.)

#### PROPOSED NEW REGULATION 287

The proposed new Regulation to be known as Regulation 287, which was referred to this Committee yesterday (and which had been previously printed and distributed in advance to all in attendance at this Annual Communication), has been carefully considered by us and we recommend that the proposed Regulation 287 be amended, and as amended, that it be adopted to make the said Regulation 287 read as follows:

#### REG. 287: TRUSTEES OF LODGES: QUALIFICATIONS, SELECTION, TENURE OF OFFICE, POWERS AND DUTIES.

- i. No part of this Regulation shall apply to subordinate lodges which have been duly incorporated under the laws of the State of North Carolina, but the Regulation shall apply to all lodges not incorporated.
- ii. Each subordinate lodge which is not incorporated as hereinbefore set forth shall have not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) trustees, whose duties and powers shall be, as follows:
  - (a) To take and hold in trust for the lodge, the legal title to property of every nature and kind belonging to the lodge which may be committed by the lodge to their care; and to have the care and management of the real and personal property belonging to the lodge when committed to them, and to hold the same in trust solely for the use and benefit of the lodge, but the management and control thereof shall always be subject to the by-laws, rules, and orders of the lodge.
  - (b) To negotiate all investments for the lodge at its order.
  - (c) To make purchases, sales or mortgages of property of any nature or kind at the direction of the lodge.
  - (d) To insure, and keep insured, all lodge property, when and as directed by the lodge.
  - (e) To do all other legitimate and proper acts that the lodge may direct.

- (f) A majority of the trustees shall constitute a quorum for transaction of their business.
- iii. Each trustee of a lodge who is not also the Master, or the Senior Warden, or the Junior Warden, shall be and remain, at all times during his term as trustee, a member in good standing therein and a resident of the jurisdiction of the lodge; and if his membership in the lodge ceases for any cause, or if he should remove from the jurisdiction of the lodge he shall *ipso facto*, and at once, cease to be a trustee. He shall not be reinstated as such trustee of the lodge by restoration to membership therein or by return to the jurisdiction of the lodge, but before he shall again serve as trustee, he shall be elected and qualified as such trustee.
- iv. In the event of a vacancy among the trustees, if they are not also the Master, or the Senior Warden or the Junior Warden of the lodge, the lodge shall elect, by a majority vote, a qualified member at the next stated communication held after such vacancy has occurred, or has come to the attention of the lodge, and such member so elected shall fill the unexpired term to which he has been elected.
- v. The lodge may remove any trustee, if he is not also the Master, or the Senior Warden or the Junior Warden of the lodge, by two-thirds of the votes of the members present at a stated communication, provided, not less than five (5) days written notice that such action will be considered by the lodge is given in person or by first class mail to the last known address of the trustee or trustees to be voted on, and the lodge may at the same communication fill any vacancy thus created among the trustees.
- vi. (a) In the absence of a by-law of the lodge as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the Master, the Senior Warden and the Junior Warden, as provided by the CODE of this Grand Lodge, shall be the trustees of a subordinate lodge which is not incorporated as hereinbefore set forth;
- (b) Provided, however, that a subordinate lodge may adopt either paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) of this subsection as an amendment to its by-laws, and in that event, paragraph (a) of this subsection shall not apply to such lodge.
- (1) At the first stated communication after the adoption of this by-law, the lodge shall elect by a majority vote, three members, qualified as provided by Regulation 287 of the CODE of the Grand Lodge, as trustees, one to serve one year, one to serve two years and one to serve three years. At each succeeding election of officers one trustee shall be elected by a majority vote to serve three years; he shall be qualified as provided by Regulation 287.
- (2) At the first stated communication after the adoption of this by-law, the lodge shall elect by a majority vote, five

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members, qualified as provided by Regulation 287 of the CODE of the Grand Lodge, as trustees, one to serve one year, one to serve two years, one to serve three years, one to serve four years, and one to serve five years. At each succeeding election of officers one trustee shall be elected by a majority vote to serve five years; he shall be qualified as provided by Regulation 287.

- vii. Any by-law of a lodge, and any regulation or other enactment except the Constitution, of this Grand Lodge heretofore adopted which conflicts herewith is hereby repealed, and made void and of no effect.

(Annotate to Section 66, Page 35 of the CODE.)

(Adopted April 16, 1947.)

## REVISION OF THE CODE

Owing to circumstances beyond the control of the Code Commission the schedule for printing and distributing the proposed Revision of the Code, set forth in the Resolution adopted in 1946 (Proceedings 1946, pp. 77-78) could not be maintained, therefore it is proper that a new schedule be made. We recommend the adoption of the Resolution presented yesterday, (see pages 144-145 of these Proceedings for the text of the Resolution as Docket No. 26), relative to Revision of the Code.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR W. TIMBERLAKE, *P. G. M., Chairman*,  
CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *P. G. M., Secretary*,  
LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR., *Deputy Grand Master*,  
MAXWELL E. HOFFMAN, *Sr. Grand Warden*,  
WILKINS P. HORTON, *Jr. Grand Warden*,  
J. WALLACE WINBORNE, *P. G. M.*,  
THOS. J. HARKINS, *P. G. M.*,  
JAMES E. SHIPMAN, *P. G. M.*,  
CLYDE H. JARRETT, *P. G. M.*,  
E. B. DENNY, *P. M.*

## THE MASONIC TEMPLE COMMITTEE

The Grand Master-elect nominated the following members of the Masonic Temple Committee and they were each duly elected by the Grand Lodge:

Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., *Grand Master (32), Chairman ex officio*;

Maxwell E. Hoffman, *Deputy Grand Master (118), ex officio*;

Wilkins P. Horton, *Senior Grand Warden (102), ex officio*;

Wallace E. Caldwell, *Junior Grand Warden (408), ex officio*;

Frank I. Watson, (40), *Vice-chairman*; Clarence B. Shulenberg, D. D. G. M., (500); Wilbur L. McIver, *Grand Secretary*



(151); J. Marvin Mangum, C. I. (210); Charles B. Newcomb, P. G. M. (1); Charles P. Eldridge, P. G. M. (218); Harrison Kauffman (40); Edwin W. Yates (218); Millard F. McKeel (104); D. Ernest Bulluck (602); Lawrence G. Jordan, D. D. G. M. (584); Julius C. Hobbs, P. G. M. (1); Ross E. Shumaker (40); Craven E. Harrington, C.L. (500).

### OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE GRAND MASTER-ELECT

The Grand Master-elect announced his appointments, as follows:

Rev. Roy C. Whisenhunt	Grand Chaplain
( 32) Concord	
W. Garrason A. Farrow, C. L.	Grand Lecturer
(568) New Bern	
W. Herbert M. Foy	Senior Grand Deacon
(322) Mount Airy	
W. William H. White	Junior Grand Deacon
(151) Sanford	
W. Edwin T. Howard	Grand Marshal
(344) High Point	
W. Robert L. Pugh	Grand Steward
(568) New Bern	
W. Chas. H. Pugh	Grand Steward
(369) Gastonia	
W. Fred F. Harding	Grand Tiler
(500) Raleigh	
W. J. Ray Shute	Grand Orator
(666) Monroe	
M. W. J. Edward Allen P.G.M.	Grand Historian
( 10) Warrenton	
W. Robert B. Spencer	Grand Auditor
( 40) Raleigh	
R. W. Wilbur L. McIver	Grand Librarian
(151) Raleigh	
Rev. Harold G. Cuthrell	Assistant Grand Chaplain
(300) Marshallburg	
Rev. Chas. G. McClure	Assistant Grand Chaplain
(261) Charlotte	
M. W. Watson N. Sherrod (447)	as a member of the Board of General Purposes until 1952.
M. W. James E. Shipman (387)	as a member of the Board of Custodians until 1950.
M. W. J. Edward Allen (10)	as Foreign Correspondent.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

THE GRAND MASTER: I have requested Past Grand Master Clyde H. Jarrett to install the Grand Officers and Past Grand Master Julius C. Hobbs to assist as Grand Marshal.

## GRAND OFFICERS INSTALLED

The following officers were duly installed by M.:W.: Brother Clyde H. Jarrett, P. G. M., assisted by M.:W.: Brother Julius C. Hobbs as Grand Marshal:

<i>Grand Master</i> -----	LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR.---	( 32)	Concord
<i>Deputy Grand Master</i>	MAXWELL ELLIS HOFFMAN.---	(118)	Asheville
<i>Senior Grand Warden</i>	WILKINS P. HORTON-----	(102)	Pittsboro
<i>Junior Grand Warden</i>	WALLACE E. CALDWELL----	(408)	Chapel Hill
<i>Grand Treasurer</i> -----	HERBERT C. ALEXANDER----	( 31)	Charlotte
<i>Grand Secretary</i> -----	WILBUR L. MCIVER-----	(151)	Raleigh
<i>Grand Lecturer</i> -----	GARRASON A. FARROW-----	(568)	New Bern
<i>Senior Grand Deacon</i>	HERBERT M. FOY-----	(322)	Mount Airy
<i>Junior Grand Deacon</i>	WILLIAM H. WHITE-----	(151)	Sanford
<i>Grand Marshal</i> -----	EDWIN T. HOWARD-----	(344)	High Point
<i>Grand Steward</i> -----	ROBERT L. PUGH-----	(568)	New Bern
<i>Grand Steward</i> -----	CHAS. H. PUGH-----	(369)	Gastonia
<i>Grand Tiler</i> -----	FRED F. HARDING-----	(500)	Raleigh

The Grand Chaplain was unavoidably absent and will be installed in his lodge.

APPOINTMENT AND INSTALLATION  
OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

M.:W.: Brother Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., Grand Master, announced the appointment of the following District Deputy Grand Masters, and those indicated by an asterisk (\*) were installed by M.:W.: Brother Clyde H. Jarrett:

- 1 Elizabeth City--Wilbourne M. Smith----(317) Elizabeth City  
(Certified Lecturer)
- 2 Windsor-----H. Allison Campen----( 7) Edenton  
(Certified Instructor)
- \* 3 Plymouth-----Ray E. Phillips----- (675) Washington  
(Certified Lecturer)
- 4 Halifax-----Francis H. Eason----- (497) Littleton
- \* 5 Greenville-----James W. Brewer----- (284) Greenville  
(Certified Instructor)
- \* 6 Kinston-----Claude S. Hinnant---- (340) Pikeville
- \* 7 New Bern-----Harvey W. Smith---- (109) Beaufort

9	Clinton	James I. Reynolds	( 98 )	Clinton
		(Certified Lecturer)		
10	Wilmington	A. Rex Willis	( 1 )	Wilmington
11	Lumberton	N. A. Smith	(501)	Red Springs
12	Rockingham	W. Leo Allen	(495)	Rockingham
* 13	Sanford	Holmes M. Wagoner	(151)	Sanford
* 14	Fayetteville	Thomas G. Slate	( 8 )	Fayetteville
		(Certified Instructor)		
* 15	Raleigh	C. B. Shulenberger	(500)	Raleigh
* 16	Apex	Lawrence G. Jordan	(584)	Apex
		(Certified Lecturer)		
17	Wilson	James G. Houston	(117)	Wilson
* 18	Rocky Mount	M. L. Baker	(602)	Rocky Mount
* 19	Henderson	J. Edward Rooker	( 10 )	Warrenton
* 20	Oxford	E. T. Regan	(122)	Oxford
		(Certified Instructor)		
* 21	Durham	Thera Earl Hinson	(408)	Chapel Hill
* 23	Greensboro	John E. Oakes	(552)	Greensboro
		(Certified Lecturer)		
24	Asheboro	Walter L. Grimsley	(447)	Troy
		(Certified Lecturer)		
* 25	Salisbury	Leon Godown	( 32 )	Concord
* 26	Monroe	Chas. D. Roberts	(244)	Monroe
* 27	Charlotte	Murray C. Alexandre	(530)	Charlotte
* 28	Gastonia	Andrew S. Melvin	(369)	Gastonia
* 29	Statesville	J. H. Mullis	(299)	Harmony
		(Certified Lecturer)		
* 30	Winston-Salem	Thomas L. Harding	(162)	Cana
31	Elkin	A. B. Macon	(322)	Mount Airy
* 33	Wilkesboro	J. Johnson Sanders	( 45 )	N. Wilkesboro
* 34	Jefferson	Edward J. Pugh	(423)	Laurel Springs
36	Lenoir	J. Scott Osborne	(217)	Morganton
* 37	Shelby	H. C. Wilson	(202)	Shelby
* 38	Hendersonville	Alfred J. Creasman	(446)	Asheville
39	Asheville	John C. Vance	(118)	Asheville
40	Spruce Pine	W. W. Braswell	(489)	Newland
41	Waynesville	James E. Henderson	(387)	Canton
* 42	Sylva	C. Gordon Moore	(145)	Franklin
43	Murphy	James C. Hembree	(146)	Murphy
44	Rutherfordton	S. Lewis Powers	( 91 )	Rutherfordton
		(Certified Lecturer)		

## PAST GRAND MASTER'S APRON PRESENTED TO GRAND MASTER

A Past Grand Master's Apron was presented to M.'. W.'. Brother Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., Grand Master, by M.'. W.'. Brother J. Edward Allen, P. G. M.

PAST GRAND MASTER'S JEWEL PRESENTED TO  
PAST GRAND MASTER BUNDY

At the request of Grand Master Hartsell, W. .Brother J. T. Bundy presented a Past Grand Master's Jewel to his son, M. .W. .William James Bundy, Past Grand Master.

W. .BROTHER J. T. BUNDY: Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brethren of the Grand Lodge, I am like a little boy who was in company and managed to spill some of the refreshments he was helping to serve. Afterwards, his mother reprimanded him for it. He said, "Mother, I am really sorry it happened, and I am glad." I want to tell you the reason he was sorry and glad at the same time. I am sorry, tonight, Brethren, that I am not able to perform this duty as I would like to do, but I am glad, indeed, to have the opportunity and the privilege of doing the very best I can, which is all that any one man can do.

Past Grand Master Bundy, last night, in your preliminary remarks, you attributed to me and my memory any honor that may have come to you as Grand Master of Masons. I would not for a moment consider receiving this honor, when it has been so worthily attained by no one but yourself. Twelve months ago, tonight, it was my happy privilege and pleasure to cast the unanimous vote of this Grand Lodge for you as Grand Master and to assist in your installation. If you recall, during that installation, I besought you not to betray your trust, but honestly, soberly and in all sincerity, to faithfully perform the duties of your office. This you have done. I knew then that you would do it. Now, this Grand Lodge knows it.

I cannot conceive for a moment that I present to you this jewel for the Grand Lodge merely as a matter of formality, or anything of that kind, but for the love and appreciation of the Brethren for your efforts during your administration, and on behalf of the Grand Lodge, I present this jewel as your reward, with my congratulations.

(NOTE: PROLONGED APPLAUSE by the Brethren as the Past Grand Master's Jewel is presented to Past Grand Master Bundy by Past Master Bundy.)

# Appendix

## GRAND LODGE CLOSED IN AMPLE FORM

The minutes were read and approved, and after prayer by Reverend Brother Harold G. Cuthrell, Assistant Grand Chaplain, the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.



*Luther J. Hartsell, Jr.*

*Grand Master.*

Attest:

I certify that the foregoing proceedings are a true and correct record of the official transactions of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M., at a Communication held April 15 and 16, 1947, and that they were prepared by me from the detailed minutes of that Communication, and were published under my supervision.

*W. D. McRee*

*Grand Secretary.*



## PETITION FOR DISPENSATION TO FORM A NEW LODGE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina:

The undersigned petitioners, being Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, and willing to exert their best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry, and for the convenience of their respective dwellings, and other good reasons, respectively represent:

That they are desirous of forming a new Lodge at Columbia, North Carolina, in the County of Tyrrell, which is 28 miles from Fairfield Lodge No. 520, the nearest Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, said Lodge to be named Providence, which is not the name of any living person:

They, therefore, pray for a Dispensation to empower them to assemble as a regular lodge, to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the ancient forms of the Order and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

They have nominated, and do hereby recommend, Brother John William Melson to be the first Master, Brother Lloyd B. Davenport to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother Dallas Marion Bridgman to be the first Junior Warden, of the said Lodge.

If the prayer of this petition shall be granted, they promise a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and the Constitution and laws of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>John W. Melson</u>	<u>Lloyd B. Davenport</u>	<u>Dallas M. Bridgman</u>
John W. Melson	Lloyd B. Davenport	Dallas M. Bridgman
<u>Shelton L. Ludford</u>	<u>Joseph W. Hamilton</u>	<u>John W. Alford</u>
Shelton Ludford	Joseph W. Hamilton	John W. Alford
<u>John C. Combs</u>	<u>Felton T. Combs</u>	<u>Raymond R. Combs</u>
John C. Combs	Felton T. Combs	Raymond R. Combs
<u>Benjamin B. Combs</u>	<u>L. B. Combs</u>	<u>C. F. Patrick</u>
B. B. Combs	L. B. Combs	C. F. Patrick
<u>W. J. White</u>	<u>H. T. Davenport</u>	<u>Howard J. Glass</u>
William J. White	H. T. Davenport	Howard J. Glass
<u>Milton V. Cahoon</u>	<u>Lem A. Cahoon</u>	<u>Herman W. Cahoon</u>
Milton V. Cahoon	Lem A. Cahoon	Herman W. Cahoon
<u>Chas. W. Pritchett</u>	<u>M. G. Pritchett</u>	<u>Joseph A. Brickhouse</u>
C. W. Pritchett	M. G. Pritchett	Joseph A. Brickhouse
<u>W. N. Sawyer</u>	<u>C. Earl Cahoon</u>	<u>William Charles Cahoon</u>
W. N. Sawyer	C. Earl Cahoon	William Charles Cahoon
<u>L. L. Combs</u>	<u>Floyd E. Cahoon</u>	<u>Basil Cahoon</u>
Lewis L. Combs	Floyd E. Cahoon	Basil Cahoon
<u>C. O. Everton</u>	<u>L. R. Spencer</u>	<u>J. T. Liverman</u>
C. O. Everton	L. R. Spencer	J. T. Liverman
<u>W. S. Carawan</u>	<u>E. N. Davenport, Jr.</u>	<u>Paul Jones</u>
W. S. Carawan	E. N. Davenport, Jr.	Paul Jones
	<u>W. C. Snell</u>	
	Worth C. Snell	

PETITION FOR DISPENSATION, PROVIDENCE LODGE U. D.

# The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

BY THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

To All and Every Our Right Worshipful and Loving Brethren—Greeting:

Know Ye, That the Most Worshipful William J. Bundy

Grand Master, at the humble petition of our Right Worshipful and well Beloved Brethren John W. Nelson, Lloyd B. Davenport, Nathan M. Bridgman, L. L. Sanford, Joseph W. Hamilton, John W. Alford, John C. Embury, Albert T. Embury, W. R. R. Embury, R. B. Embury, C. T. Patrick, William D. Embury, H. T. Davenport, Howard J. Hays, Milton B. Hays, Lora B. Caborn, Norman B. Caborn, C. W. Kirkland, M. R. Kirkland, Joseph A. Bruckner, C. Earl Caborn, William Charles Caborn, Lewis R. Embury, Lloyd E. Caborn, Russell C. Caborn, C. C. Embury, R. H. Spencer, J. T. Robertson, J. Carawan, C. N. Davenport, Jr., Fred Jones, and Uziel C. Small of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of York Masons, and for certain other reasons, moving our Most Worshipful Grand Master, doth hereby constitute the said Brethren into a Regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be opened at Columbia in the County of Tyrrell by the name of Providence. At their said request, and from the great trust and confidence reposed in every of the said Brethren, the Most Worshipful Grand Master doth hereby appoint John W. Nelson Master, Lloyd B. Davenport Senior Warden, and Nathan M. Bridgman Junior Warden, for opening the said Lodge and governing the same until the first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge after the date of this Dispensation.

Provided, however, that this dispensation is issued upon the express condition, that said Lodge shall secure the services of one of the Grand Lecturers of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina; become proficient in the authorized work of The Grand Lodge and file with the Grand Secretary a certificate from said Lecturer certifying that at least five of its members can each confer the three degrees in Masonry efficiently and according to the authorized work of the Grand Lodge. Failure of the Lodge to comply with this condition for six months from date shall render this dispensation null and void, and it shall be returned to the Grand Secretary's office, unless the time is extended by the Grand Master.

It is required of our Friend and Brother John W. Nelson to take special care that all and every of the said Brethren of the said Lodge, as well as those hereafter to be admitted into our body by said Lodge, be Regularly made Masons; and that they do, and observe and keep all the Rules and Orders contained in the Book of Constitutions, and that the Ancient Landmarks be strictly attended to; and further, that he do cause to be entered, in a book kept for that purpose, an account of the Proceedings of said Lodge, which, when done, is to be transmitted to the Grand Master, with a List of those Initiated, Passed and Raised and otherwise disposed of under his authority.

Given at Raleigh, Under the hand of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Great Seal of Masonry, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of

June A. L. 59 16, A. D. 19 16

W. J. Bundy  
Grand Master

Attest: W. D. Nelson  
Grand Secretary

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth

DISPENSATION ISSUED TO PROVIDENCE LODGE U. D.

No. 678

SIT LUX ET LUX PUT

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1787.

# The Grand Lodge

Of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of

## Free and Accepted Masons

Of North Carolina.

In a Regular Term assembled, according to the Old Constitutions, regularly and solemnly established under the auspices of Prince Edwin, at the City of York, in Great Britain, in the year of Masonry 1926, viz:

The Right Worshipful	MAXWELL E. HOFFMAN	Deputy Grand Master,
The Right Worshipful	WILKINS P. HORTON	Senior Grand Warden,
The Right Worshipful	WALLACE E. CALDWELL	Junior Grand Warden,

Do by these Presents

appoint, authorize and empower our worthy Brother John William Nelson to be the Master, our worthy Brother Lloyd B. Tavenport to be the Senior Warden, and our worthy Brother Dallas Marion Bradyman to be the Junior Warden of a Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, to be, by virtue hereof, constituted, formed, and held in Columbia which Lodge shall be distinguished by the name or

style of Providence Number 678, and the said Master and Wardens, and their successors in office, are hereby respectively authorized and directed, by and with the consent and assistance of a majority of the Members of the said Lodge, duly to be summoned and present upon such occasions, to Elect and Install the Officers of the said Lodge, as vacancies happen, in manner and form as is, or may be prescribed by the Constitution of this Grand Lodge.

And further, the said Lodge is hereby invested with full power and authority to assemble upon proper and lawful occasions to Make Masons, and to Admit Members, as also to do and perform all and every such acts and things appertaining to the Craft, as have been, and ought to be, done for the honor and advantage thereof, conforming in all their proceedings to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, otherwise this Warrant and the powers thereby granted, to cease and be of no further effect.

Given under our Hands and the Seal of our Grand Lodge, at the City of Raleigh, in the United States of America, this 16th day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty seven and in the year of Masonry Five Thousand Nine Hundred and forty seven.



*W. M. Jones*  
Grand Secretary

*Luther J. Cartell Jr.*  
High Master

CHARTER ISSUED TO PROVIDENCE LODGE NO. 678



PETITION FOR DISPENSATION TO FORM A NEW LODGE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina:

The undersigned petitioners, being Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, and willing to exert their best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry, and for the convenience of their respective dwellings, and other good reasons, respectively represent:

That they are desirous of forming a new Lodge at Fayetteville, North Carolina, in the County of Cumberland, which is 0 miles from Phoenix Lodge No. 8, the nearest Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, said Lodge to be named CREASY PROCTOR LODGE \_\_\_\_\_ which is not the name of any living person:

They, therefore, pray for a Dispensation to empower them to assemble as a regular lodge, to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the ancient forms of the Order and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

They have nominated, and do hereby recommend, Brother Daniel Lacy McAlney to be the first Master, Brother Gilbert Mansfield Honeycutt to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother Luby Joseph Garner to be the first Junior Warden, of the said Lodge.

If the prayer of this petition shall be granted, they promise a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and the Constitution and laws of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

<i>Daniel Lacy McAlney</i> D. L. McAlney	<i>Albert Cress Greene</i> A. C. Greene	<i>Edward L. Vance</i> D. D. Shuford
<i>Paul Bradley Allgood</i> Paul B. Allgood	<i>Jim Henry Averette</i> Jim H. Averette	<i>Ramon Elwood Atkins</i> Ramon E. Atkins
<i>William E. Bateman</i> William E. Bateman	<i>Roy B. Boling</i> Roy B. Boling	<i>Hugo D. Burton</i> Hugo D. Burton
<i>William Augustus Davidson</i> William A. Davidson	<i>Harry V. Deavers</i> Harry V. Deavers	<i>R. L. Fisher</i> R. L. Fisher
<i>Leon Fleishman</i> Leon Fleishman	<i>Henry Fleishman</i> Henry Fleishman	<i>Jack Fox</i> Jack Fox
<i>Luby Joseph Garner</i> Luby J. Gardner	<i>Charles Albert Garner</i> Chas. A. Gardner	<i>Ray M. Geddie</i> Ray M. Geddie
<i>Charles Gordon Harris</i> C. Gordon Harris	<i>William J. Hall</i> William J. Hall	<i>R. Earl Hayes</i> R. Earl Hayes
<i>George B. Herndon</i> Geo. B. Herndon	<i>John W. Hensdale</i> John W. Hensdale	<i>O. B. Hewett</i> O. B. Hewett
<i>Herbert Drama Hodgson</i> H. B. Hodgson	<i>G. M. Howard</i> G. M. Howard	<i>G. M. Honeycutt</i> G. M. Honeycutt
<i>Lennie H. Holland</i> Lennie H. Holland	<i>Sam S. Inge</i> Sam S. Inge	<i>Cedric A. Jordan</i> Cedric A. Jordan
<i>James P. Kellum</i> James P. Kellum	<i>James R. Luther</i> James R. Luther	<i>Geo. W. Markham</i> Geo. W. Markham
<i>Rufus K. Moore, Jr.</i> Rufus K. Moore, Jr.	<i>R. E. Newman</i> R. E. Newman	<i>Samuel A. Parker</i> Samuel A. Parker
<i>Hector E. Ray</i> Hector E. Ray	<i>Theodore O. Rhodes</i> Theodore O. Rhodes	<i>Chas. W. Seate</i> Chas. W. Seate
<i>Edward W. Shepherd</i> Edward W. Shepherd	<i>E. J. Smith</i> E. J. Smith	<i>Arthur C. Tate</i> A. C. Tate
<i>Neal E. Thagard</i> Neal E. Thagard	<i>Marion D. Varnedoe</i> Marion D. Varnedoe	<i>E. N. Vinson</i> E. N. Vinson
<i>Theodore W. Wallace</i> Theodore W. Wallace	<i>William M. Ward</i> William M. Ward	<i>C. R. Williams</i> C. R. Williams
	<i>Emory F. Williams</i> Emory F. Williams	

PETITION FOR DISPENSATION, CREASY PROCTOR LODGE U. D.

# The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

BY THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

To All and Every Our Right Worshipful and Loving Brethren—Greeting:

Know Ye, That the Most Worshipful **WILLIAM J. BUNDY**

Grand Master, at the humble petition of our Right Worshipful and well Beloved Brethren **DANIEL LACY McRAINEY**, **PAUL E. ALLIANCE**, **WILLIAM E. BATEMAN**, **WILLIAM A. DAVIDSON**, **LEON FLEISHMAN**, **LUBY J. GARDNER**, **C. GORDEN HARRIS**, **Geo. B. HERNDON**, **H. B. HODGSON**, **LEAMIE N. HOLLAND**, **JAMES F. KELLUM**, **RUFUS K. MOORE, JR.**, **HECTOR E. RAY**, **EDWARD D. SHEPHERD**, **NEALE THOMAS**, **THEODORE W. WALLACE**, **R. C. GREENE**, **JIM H. ABERNETHY**, **ROY W. COLLINS**, **HARRY V. DENIGERS**, **HENRY FLEISHMAN**, **CHAS. D. GARDNER**, **WILLIAM J. HALL**, **JOHN W. HENSLEY**, **G. W. HOWARD**, **SAM. C. LEE**, **JAMES R. LUTHER**, **R. E. NEWMAN**, **THEODORE D. RHODES**, **E. A. SMITH**, **MARION D. VANDERBEEK**, **WILLIAM M. WARD**, **EMORY F. WILLIAMS**, **D. D. ZIMMERMAN**, **RAMON E. ATKINS**, **HUGH D. BURTON**, **R. L. FISHER**, **JACK FOX**, **RAY M. GIBBIE**, **R. EARL HAYES**, **O. B. HEWETT**, **G. M. HONEYCUTT**, **CEDRIC R. JORDAN**, **Geo. W. MARKHAM**, **SHAUNLA R. PARKER**, **CHAS. W. BENTE**, **R. C. TATEM**, **E. N. VINSON**, and **C. R. WILLIAMS**, of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of York Masons, and for certain other reasons, moving our Most Worshipful Grand Master, doth hereby constitute the said Brethren into a Regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be opened at **FRYETTEVILLE** in the County of **CUMBERLAND** by the name of **CREASY PROCTOR**. At their said request, and from the great trust and confidence reposed in every of the said Brethren, the Most Worshipful Grand Master doth hereby appoint **DANIEL LACY McRAINEY** Master, **GILBERT MANSFIELD HONEYCUTT** Senior Warden, and **LUBY JOSEPH GARDNER** Junior Warden, for opening the said Lodge and governing the same until the first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge after the date of this Dispensation.

Granted, however, that this dispensation is issued upon the express condition, that said Lodge shall secure the services of one of the Grand Lecturers of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina; become proficient in the authorized work of The Grand Lodge and file with the Grand Secretary a certificate from said Lecturer certifying that at least five of its members can each confer the three degrees in Masonry efficiently and according to the authorized work of the Grand Lodge. Failure of the Lodge to comply with this condition for six months from date shall render this dispensation null and void, and it shall be returned to the Grand Secretary's office, unless the time is extended by the Grand Master.

It is required of our Friend and Brother **DANIEL LACY McRAINEY** to take special care that all and every of the said Brethren of the said Lodge, as well as those hereafter to be admitted into our body by said Lodge, be Regularly made Masons; and that they do, and observe and keep all the Rules and Orders contained in the Book of Constitutions, and that the Ancient Landmarks be strictly attended to; and further, that he do cause to be entered, in a book kept for that purpose, an account of the Proceedings of said Lodge, which, when done, is to be transmitted to the Grand Master, with a List of those Initiated, Passed and Raised and otherwise disposed of under his authority.

Given at Raleigh, Under the hand of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Great Seal of Masonry, this **THIRTIETH** day of **JULY** A. L. 5946 A. D. 1946



Attest:

*W. J. Bundy*  
Grand Master

*W. D. Lee*  
Grand Secretary

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth

DISPENSATION ISSUED TO CREASY PROCTOR LODGE U. D.



CHARTER ISSUED TO CREASY PROCTOR LODGE NO. 679



To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient, Free, and Accepted  
Masons of North Carolina:

The undersigned petitioners, being Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, and willing to exert their best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry, and for the convenience of their respective dwellings, and other good reasons, respectfully represent:

That they are desirous of forming a new Lodge at Midway Park in the County of Onslow, which is 5 miles from Lafayette, No. 83, the nearest Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, said Lodge to be named Semper Fidelis, which is not the name of any living person:

They, therefore, pray for a Dispensation to empower them to assemble as a regular lodge, to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the ancient forms of the Order and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

They have nominated, and do hereby recommend, Brother George Crary Faville, Jr. to be first Master, Brother Joseph Robert Foster to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother James Garland Crouch, Sr. to be the first Junior Warden, of the said Lodge.

If the prayer of this petition shall be granted, they promise a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and the Constitution and laws of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

*George Crary Faville Jr.*  
George Crary Faville, Jr.

*Joseph Robert Foster*  
Joseph Robert Foster

*James Garland Crouch Sr.*  
James Garland Crouch, Sr.

*G. C. Moore*  
George Clinton Moore

*Olen Eschol Smith*  
Olen Eschol Smith

*James Frank Elliott*  
James Frank Elliott

*Robert Lee Marion*  
Robert Lee Marion

*Eduston Wyche Williams*  
Eduston Wyche Williams

*William Smith Price*  
William Smith Price

*Rhodney Lee Hamby*  
Rhodney Lee Hamby

*Wm. V. V. Phillips*  
Wm. V. V. Phillips

*Arthur J. Herring*  
Arthur J. Herring

*Gene Franklin Botkin*  
Gene Franklin Botkin

*Douglas Thompson*  
Douglas Thompson

*James Louis Massey*  
James Louis Massey

*Howard Miller Lee*  
Howard Miller Lee

*Eugene Milas Martin*  
Eugene Milas Martin

*James Franklin Lowery*  
James Franklin Lowery

*Samuel Allen Munch*  
Samuel Allen Munch

*Roger Thomas Kirk*  
Roger Thomas Kirk

*Lester Dilwyn Cox*  
Lester Dilwyn Cox

*Harry Thaw Saunders*  
Harry Thaw Saunders

*Phil Marvin Jackson*  
Phil Marvin Jackson

*Victor Vangel Miller*  
Victor Vangel Miller

PETITION FOR DISPENSATION, SEMPER FIDELIS LODGE U. D.

# The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

BY THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

To All and Every Our Right Worshipful and Loving Brethren—Greeting:

**Know Ye,** That the Most Worshipful WILLIAM J. BONDY  
Grand Master, at the humble petition of our Right Worshipful and well Beloved Brethren  
GEORGE CHARY FAYILLE, JR., JOSEPH ROBERT FOSTER, JAMES GARLAND CROUCH, SR., GEORGE CLINTON MOORE,  
CLIN ESMIL SMITH, JAMES FRANK ELLIOTT, ROBERT LEE MARION, DEUSTON WYCHE WILLIAMS, WILLIAM SMITH PRICE,  
EMITNEY LEE HANBY, ELMER UNLHART PHILLIPS, ARTHUR JOHN THERRING, GENE FRANKLIN BOTKIN, DOUGLAS THOMPSON,  
JESSE LOUIS MASSEY, HOWARD MILLER LEE, EUGENE MILAS MARTIN, JAMES FRANKLIN LOWERY, SAMUEL ALLEN MINCH,  
ROBERT THOMAS KIRK, LESTER DELAYN COX, HARRY THAW SANDERS, PHIL MARVIN JACKSON, VICTOR VANGEL MILLER.  
of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of York Masons, and for certain other reasons, moving our Most  
Worshipful Grand Master, doth hereby constitute the said Brethren into a Regular Lodge of Free and  
Accepted Masons, to be opened at MIDWAY PARK in the County of ON SLOW  
by the name of SEMPER FIDELIS. At their said request, and from  
the great trust and confidence reposed in every of the said Brethren, the Most Worshipful Grand Master  
doth hereby appoint GEORGE CHARY FAYILLE, JR. Master, JOSEPH ROBERT FOSTER  
Senior Warden, and JAMES GARLAND CROUCH, SR. Junior Warden, for opening the said  
Lodge and governing the same until the first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge after the date of  
this Dispensation.

Provided, however, that this dispensation is issued upon the express condition, that said Lodge  
shall secure the services of one of the Grand Lecturers of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina;  
become proficient in the authorized work of The Grand Lodge and file with the Grand Secretary a certifi-  
cate from said Lecturer certifying that at least five of its members can each confer the three degrees in  
Masonry efficiently and according to the authorized work of the Grand Lodge. Failure of the Lodge to  
comply with this condition for six months from date shall render this dispensation null and void, and it  
shall be returned to the Grand Secretary's office, unless the time is extended by the Grand Master.

It is required of our Friend and Brother GEORGE CHARY FAYILLE, JR. to take special  
care that all and every of the said Brethren of the said Lodge, as well as those hereafter to be admitted into  
our body by said Lodge, be Regularly made Masons; and that they do, and observe and keep all the Rules  
and Orders contained in the Book of Constitutions, and that the Ancient Landmarks be strictly attended  
to; and further, that he do cause to be entered, in a book kept for that purpose, an account of the Pro-  
ceedings of said Lodge, which, when done, is to be transmitted to the Grand Master, with a List of those  
Initiated, Passed and Raised and otherwise disposed of under his authority.

Given at Raleigh. Under the hand of the Most Worshipful Grand Master,  
and the Great Seal of Masonry, this TWENTY-FIRST day of  
DECEMBER A. L. 59 45, A. D. 19 46



*William J. Bondy*  
Grand Master.

Attest: *George Chary Fayille, Jr.*  
Grand Secretary.

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth

DISPENSATION ISSUED TO SEMPER FIDELIS LODGE U. D.

No. 680 1787.

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No.

# The Grand Lodge

Of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of

## Free and Accepted Masons

Of North Carolina.

*In Temple Form assembled, according to the Old Constitutions, regularly and solemnly established under the auspices of Prince Edwin, at the City of York, in Great Britain, in the year of Masonry 1926, viz:*


The Right Worshipful	MAXWELL E. HOFFMAN	Deputy Grand Master.
The Right Worshipful	WILKINS P. HORTON	Senior Grand Warden.
The Right Worshipful	WALLACE E. CALDWELL	Junior Grand Warden.

Do by these Presents

appoint, authorize and empower our worthy Brother George Cray Faville, Jr.  
to be the Master, our worthy Brother Joseph Robert Foster to be the Senior  
Warden, and our worthy Brother James Garland Couch to be the Junior Warden  
of a Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, to be, by virtue hereof, constituted, formed, and held in  
Midway Park which Lodge shall be distinguished by the name or  
style of Semper Fidelis Number 680 and the said Master and  
Wardens, and their successors in office, are hereby respectively authorized and directed, by and with  
the consent and assistance of a majority of the Members of the said Lodge, duly to be summoned  
and present upon such occasions, to Elect and Install the Officers of the said Lodge, as vacancies  
happen, in manner and form as is, or may be prescribed by the Constitution of this Grand Lodge.

And further, the said Lodge is hereby invested with full power and authority to assemble upon  
proper and lawful occasions to Make Masons, and to Admit Members, as also to do and perform all  
and every such acts and things appertaining to the Craft, as have been, and  
ought to be, done for the honor and advantage thereof, conforming in all  
their proceedings to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, otherwise this Warrant  
and the powers hereby granted, to cease and be of no further effect.

Given under our Hands and the Seal of our Grand Lodge, at the City of  
Raleigh, in the United States of America, this 15th day of April  
in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty seven  
and in the year of Masonry Five Thousand Nine Hundred and forty seven.

  
W. D. Lee  
Grand Secretary

Luther J. Cartrell, Jr.  
Grand Master

CHARTER ISSUED TO SEMPER FIDELIS LODGE No. 680



# PETITION FOR DISPENSATION TO FORM A NEW LODGE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina:

The undersigned petitioners, being Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, and willing to exert their best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry, and for the convenience of their respective dwellings, and other good reasons, respectfully represent:

That they are desirous of forming a new Lodge at High Point, North Carolina in the County of Guilford, which is no miles from Numa F. Reid and Acacia, the nearest Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, said Lodge to be named Piedmont Lodge No. D. D., which is not the name of any living person:

They, therefore, pray for a Dispensation to empower them to assemble as a regular lodge, to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the ancient forms of the Order and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

They have nominated, and do hereby recommend, Brother Hugh Clements Bennett to be first Master, Brother Glenn Gray Perry to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother Woodroe Franklin Haywood to be the first Junior Warden, of the said Lodge.

If the prayer of this petition shall be granted, they promise a strict conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and the Constitution and laws of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>Hugh Clements Bennett</u>	<u>Glenn Gray Perry</u>	<u>Woodroe Franklin Haywood</u>
<u>W. F. Freeman</u>	<u>A. C. Gray</u>	<u>George A. Harrison</u>
<u>William Frank Freeman</u>	<u>Hamilton Ernest Gray</u>	<u>George A. Harrison</u>
<u>H. Leonard</u>	<u>William E. Gray</u>	<u>May C. Morehead</u>
<u>Sherrill O. Bailey</u>	<u>H. Peete Williams</u>	<u>W. C. Lewis</u>
<u>Refuse F. Laws</u>	<u>H. Clyde Williams, Sr.</u>	<u>Robert L. Hubbard, Jr.</u>
<u>Lloyd A. Hughes</u>	<u>James Chester Roberts</u>	<u>Lee Torrey Schaner</u>
<u>James M. Newson</u>	<u>James Frank Beck</u>	<u>Frank Davis</u>
<u>Leslie Ward</u>	<u>L. F. Maguin</u>	<u>Henry M. Taylor</u>
<u>Fred Lyon Gordy</u>	<u>Solon P. Schwoyer</u>	<u>Fleet Lewis</u>
<u>Minor Lee Solomon</u>	<u>Ernest Leroy Caswell</u>	<u>William F. Zarbock</u>
<u>Clarence J. Albertson</u>	<u>William Bryan Carter</u>	
<u>E. B. Oldham</u>	<u>Possey L. Snow</u>	<u>L. W. Flythe</u>
<u>Harold B. McKee</u>	<u>W. George Wagner</u>	<u>P. Lee Smith</u>
<u>Robert B. Pruitt</u>	<u>C. H. Jackson</u>	<u>E. J. Phibbs</u>
<u>E. L. Briggs</u>	<u>R. R. Blackburn</u>	<u>Carter Dalton</u>
<u>Philip B. Davis</u>	<u>W. F. Clayton</u>	<u>George M. Lora</u>
<u>Myron H. Folger</u>	<u>Edgar M. Crawford</u>	<u>George C. McLean</u>

# The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

BY THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

To All and Every Our Right Worshipful and Loving Brethren—Greeting:

Know Ye, That the Most Worshipful WILLIAM JAMES BUNDY

Grand Master, at the humble petition of our Right Worshipful and well Beloved Brethren HUGH CLEMENTS BENNETT, GLENN GRAY PERRY, WOODROE FRANKLIN HAYWOOD, WILLIAM F. FREEMAN, H. E. GRAY, GEORGE A. HARRISON, H. H. LEONARD, W. E. GRAY, F. O. MURPHY, SUBERILL O. BAILEY, H. BECK, WILLIAMS, J. W. TAYLOR, EDWIN F. JAMES, H. C. ALLEN, W. H. ROBERTS, ROBERT F. ROBERTS, ALAN O. HARRIS, WALTER C. ROBERTS, LEE F. SCHAFER, S. W. NEWSON, J. FRANK BECK, J. FRANK DAVIS, LESLIE WARD, L. P. MAGNIN, H. V. TAYLOR, WED LYON GORDY, SCOTT P. SCHAFER, FLEET LEWIS, M. H. SOLOMON, ERNEST L. CAGNELL, WILLIAM F. ZABLOCK, CLARENCE J. ALFREDSON, WILLIAM BRYAN CARTER, E. D. CUDMAN, ROSEY L. SYON, L. E. CLYDE, WASCO S. HAYES, BERGE WARDER, F. LEE SMITH, ROBERT D. PRIETT, E. J. PHILIPS, E. L. BRIGGS, H. H. BLACKBURN, CARVER DALTON, PHILIP S. DAVIS, W. F. CLAYTON, GEORGE W. LONE, MYRON H. POLGER, EDGAR N. CRAWFORD, GEORGE C. MCCLARTY, and O. F. DENMAN of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of York Masons, and for certain other reasons, moving our Most Worshipful Grand Master, doth hereby constitute the said Brethren into a Regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be opened at HIGH POINT in the County of GUILFORD by the name of PIEDMONT. At their said request, and from the great trust and confidence reposed in every of the said Brethren, the Most Worshipful Grand Master doth hereby appoint HUGH CLEMENTS BENNETT Master, GLENN GRAY PERRY Senior Warden, and WOODROE FRANKLIN HAYWOOD Junior Warden, for opening the said Lodge and governing the same until the first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge after the date of this Dispensation.

Provided, however, that this dispensation is issued upon the express condition, that said Lodge shall secure the services of one of the Grand Lecturers of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina; become proficient in the authorized work of The Grand Lodge and file with the Grand Secretary a certificate from said Lecturer certifying that at least five of its members can each confer the three degrees in Masonry efficiently and according to the authorized work of the Grand Lodge. Failure of the Lodge to comply with this condition for six months from date shall render this dispensation null and void, and it shall be returned to the Grand Secretary's office, unless the time is extended by the Grand Master.

It is required of our Friend and Brother HUGH CLEMENTS BENNETT to take special care that all and every of the said Brethren of the said Lodge, as well as those hereafter to be admitted into our body by said Lodge, be Regularly made Masons; and that they do, and observe and keep all the Rules and Orders contained in the Book of Constitutions, and that the Ancient Landmarks be strictly attended to; and further, that he do cause to be entered, in a book kept for that purpose, an account of the Proceedings of said Lodge, which, when done, is to be transmitted to the Grand Master, with a List of those Initiated, Passed and Raised and otherwise disposed of under his authority.

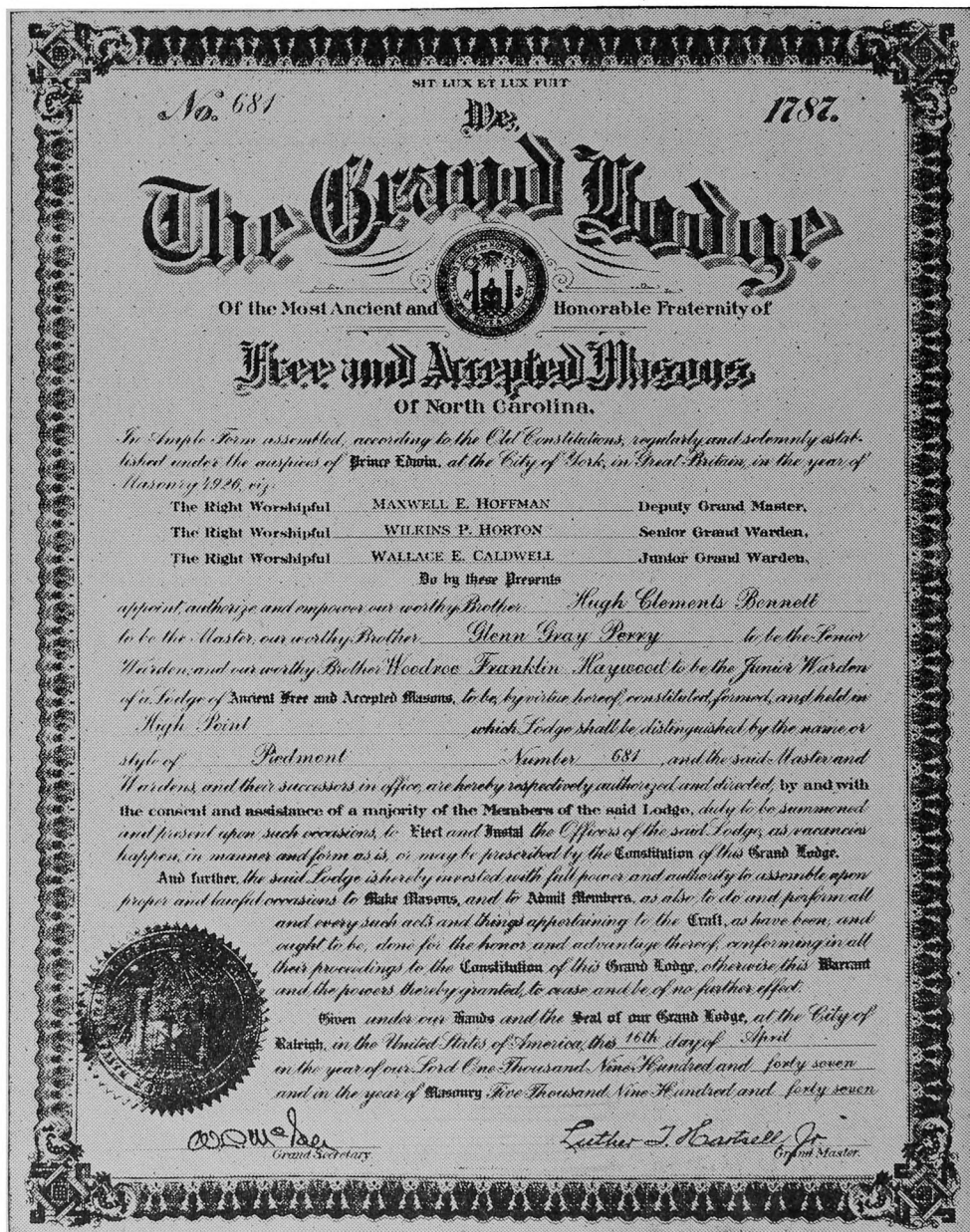
Given at Raleigh, Under the hand of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Great Seal of Masonry, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of FEBRUARY A. L. 5947 A. D. 1947

*William J. Bundy*  
Grand Master.

Attest: *W. J. Bundy*  
Grand Secretary.

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth

DISPENSATION ISSUED TO PIEDMONT LODGE U. D.



CHARTER ISSUED TO PIEDMONT LODGE NO. 681



# ROSTER OF AWARDS OF JOSEPH MONTFORT MEDALS

Established 1940

(Arranged According to Date Awarded)

1940

- M..W..MELVIN MAYNARD JOHNSON, Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts  
 M..W..JOHN HUSKE ANDERSON, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 M..W..THOMAS JOSHUA HARKINS, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1941

- M..W..RAYMOND CROMWELL DUNN,\* Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 M..W..CHARLES BAILEY NEWCOMB, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 M..W..JOHN EDWARD ALLEN, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1942

- M..W..WILLIAM MOSELEY BROWN, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia  
 M..W..ALEXANDER BOYD ANDREWS,\* Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 W..WILLIAM RITCHIE SMITH\*, Past Master, Raleigh Lodge No. 500, North Carolina

1943

- M..W..HERBERT CLAUDE ALEXANDER, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 M..W..WATSON NEWBERRY SHERROD, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 M..W..CHARLES PATTERSON ELDRIDGE, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1944

- M..W..HUBERT MCNEILL POTEAT, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 M..W..JAMES GILES HUDSON, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 W..CREASY K. PROCTOR\*, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 40, N. C.

1945

- M..W..JOHN HENRY COWLES, Past Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky  
 M..W..EDGAR WALTER TIMBERLAKE, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina  
 W..F. W. MOODY WHITE, Past Master, Royal White Hart Lodge No. 2, North Carolina.

\* Deceased.

1946

- M..W..JOHN WALLACE WINBORNE, Past Grand Master of Masons  
in North Carolina  
M..W..JAMES EDWARD SHIPMAN, Past Grand Master of Masons  
in North Carolina  
M..W..JULIUS C. HOBBS, Past Grand Master of Masons in North  
Carolina

1947

- M..W..CARL HARRY CLAUDY, Past Grand Master of Masons in the  
District of Columbia, and Executive Secretary of The Ma-  
sonic Service Association of the United States  
BROTHER GEORGE RICHARD BENNETTE, Superintendent of The Ma-  
sonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc.  
R..W..WILBUR LEROY MCIVER, Grand Secretary of The Grand  
Lodge of North Carolina

# ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS—CLASS "A"

April 17, 1947

NAMES AND LOCAL ADDRESSES			RESIDES IN		District	Lodge No.	Date Examined
			Post Office	County			
1	Alexander, Charles Payne—	11 Rankin St.	Mooreville	Iredell	29	496	4-15-47
2	Alford, John William—	Box 14	Columbia	Tyrrell	1	678	4-16-46
3	Aman, Wm. Albert Stephenson—	Box 276	Jacksonville	Onslow	10	83	4-15-46
4	Barkley, Kenneth Lester—	Johnston St.	Brevard	Transylvania	38	267	4-15-47
5	Bass, Leslie Gordon—	206 S. 16th St.	Wilmington	New Hanover	10	395	4-15-46
6	Brown, Jr., James Castle—	417 Salisbury Rd.	Statesville	Iredell	29	27	4-14-47
7	Bryan, William Arnold—	1104 N. Elizabeth St.	Durham	Durham	21	352	4-15-47
8	Bullard, Coy Swinston—	27 Pinecrest Pkwy.	Wilmington	New Hanover	10	1	4-15-46
9	Bundy, William James—	109½ West Third St.	Greenville	Pitt	5	284	4-16-46
10	Burgess, Claude		Harmony	Iredell	29	299	4-14-47
11	Caldwell, James Ernest—	630 Arlington St.	Forest City	Rutherford	44	381	4-14-47
12	Carpenter, Jonathan Harvey—	306 N. Main St.	Rutherfordton	Rutherford	44	91	4-16-46
13	Carver, James Henry—	Box 1	China Grove	Rowan	25	283	4-15-46
14	Chambers, Adair Edward—	U. S. Post Office	Salisbury	Rowan	25	99	4-16-46
15	Crawford, Herman Edgar		Kernersville	Forsyth	30	669	2-26-47
16	Creech, William Stevens—	Box 1528	High Point	Guilford	23	674	4-16-46
17	Culler, Roy Bunyan—	601 S. Hamilton St.	High Point	Guilford	23	674	4-14-47
18	Drummond, Grover Cleveland—	507 Clark St.	Rocky Mount	Nash	18	230	4-15-46
19	Farrow, Garrason Anglo—	313 Craven St.	New Bern	Craven	7	568	11- 5-45
20	Fay, Scott Stuart—	5 Mildred Ave.	W. Asheville	Buncombe	39	650	11- 5-45
21	Flowers, Joseph Foster—	Box 64	Lumberton	Robeson	11	114	11- 5-45
22	Fox, Burke Wallace—	121 W. 7th St.	Charlotte	Mecklenburg	27	31	4-16-46
23	Francis, William Clive—	Box 47	Tyner	Chowan	2	7	4-16-46
24	Freeman, Neill Willis—	Box 360	Biscoe	Montgomery	24	437	4-16-46
25	Gettle, Herbert Houston—	807 Liberty Life Bldg.	Charlotte	Mecklenburg	27	676	4-16-46
26	Gillikin, Lester Haywood—	Box 275	Goldsboro	Wayne	6	112	4-15-47
27	Graham, Charles Durwood—	Box 114	Enfield	Halifax	4	447	4-16-46
28	Grant, Biver Ernest—	Box 278	Windsor	Bertie	2	5	4-15-47
29	Grant, Clifton Gordon—	109 Madison St.	Roanoke Rapids	Halifax	4	519	2-26-47

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April 17, 1947

NAMES AND LOCAL ADDRESSES	RESIDES IN			District	Lodge No.	Date Examined
	Post Office	County				
30 Greer, William C.—Box 69	Lexington	Davidson		23	473	4-14-47
31 Grieshamer, John—R. 3	Asheville	Buncombe		39	665	9-20-45
32 Hadley, William Riley—202 Colonial Drive	Wilmington	New Hanover		10	319	4-15-46
33 Hardee, Walter Herman—Box 398	Greenville	Pitt		5	284	2-26-47
34 Hardy, Lloyd Dunn—115 Montgomery St.	Raleigh	Wake		16	218	4-14-47
35 Hardy, William Howard—Box 13	Siloam	Surry		31	390	11-5-45
36 Harrell, Britton	Colerain	Bertie		2	171	4-15-47
37 Harrell, Samuel D.—208 Edward St.	Durham	Durham		21	210	11-5-45
38 Harrington, Craven English—Box 711	Raleigh	Wake		15	500	11-5-45
39 Harrington, Elmer Gibbs—419 Cameron Ave.	Chapel Hill	Orange		21	408	4-15-46
40 Harris, Charles Anderson—Box 241	Roxboro	Person		20	113	4-14-47
41 Harris, Max Ray—Box 27	Troy	Montgomery		24	127	4-15-47
42 Hawks, Ned Armfield—Drawer Y	Ayden	Pitt		5	498	11-5-45
43 Haywood, Woodroe Franklin—Box 1288	High Point	Guilford		23	344	4-16-46
44 Hosaflook, Claude Benton—Box 74	Waynesville	Haywood		41	259	4-15-46
45 Howard, Edward Cato	Army	Out of State		x	1	9-18-45
46 Howell, Wiley Washington—110 Kelly Ave.	Mooreville	Iredell		29	496	4-15-47
47 Huff, Coy Jackson—535 Fairview Rd.	Asheville	Buncombe		38	446	4-16-46
48 Humphrey, George Dudley—218 Princess St.	Wilmington	New Hanover		10	1	4-15-47
49 Jarrett, Marcus Young—Box 484	Dillsboro	Nash		42	459	4-15-47
50 Johnson, Daniel Sloan—c/o Rocky Mt. H. S.	Rocky Mount	Duplin		18	122	11-5-45
51 Johnson, Henry McNair—Box 35	Willard	Duplin		9	595	11-5-45
52 Johnston, James Guy—701 Wilder Bldg.	Charlotte	Mecklenburg		27	261	4-16-46
53 Jones, Robert Breathard—Box 455	Pink Hill	Duplin		9	13	4-15-46
54 Jones, Vernon Lee	Asheboro	Randolph		24	188	9-20-45
55 Jordan, Lawrence Grady—Box 215	Apex	Wake		16	584	11-5-45
56 Joyner, William Edward—109 N. Contentnea	Farmville	Pitt		5	517	4-14-47
57 Kendrick, Everette Michael—Box 1110	Salisbury	Rowan		25	99	4-16-46
58 Kincaid, Arnold Wesley—Box 68	Bessemer City	Gaston		28	515	11-5-45

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April 17, 1947

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			Post Office	County	District			
59 King, Haywood Sherrill—	607 Dock St.	Wilmingon	New Hanover	10	319	4-15-46		
60 Kinzie, Fred Clinton—	Box 605	Spindale	Rutherford	44	673	4-16-46		
61 Knauff, Earl Derr—	Box 449	Jacksonville	Onslow	10	83	4-15-46		
62 Leach, Cornelius—	Box 40	Asheville	Buncombe	39	650	4-15-46		
63 Lewis, Fleet—	113 S. Wrenn St.	High Point	Guilford	23	344	9-20-45		
64 Lipman, Sol—	29 E. Franklin St.	Chapel Hill	Orange	21	408	4-15-46		
65 Lucas, Richard Harvey		Plymouth	Washington	3	59	4-16-46		
66 Luther, James Robert—	Box 282	Fayetteville	Cumberland	14	8	4-15-46		
67 Marquette, John Fredrick—	211 Kelly St.	Statesville	Iredell	29	27	11- 5-45		
68 McKenzie, Robert S.—	710 E. Beach St.	Goldsboro	Wayne	6	112	4-15-47		
69 Miller, Joseph Gracy—	214 Webb St.	Statesville	Iredell	29	27	11- 5-45		
70 Morgan, Eric Earl—	602 Fairview Drive	Lexington	Davidson	23	473	4-14-47		
71 Morgan, Thomas Jefferson—	914 E. 22nd St.	Winston-Salem	Forsyth	30	167	4-15-47		
72 Mullis, James Harvey		Harmony	Iredell	29	299	4-15-47		
73 Murrell, Irvin Henry		Davidson	Mecklenburg	27	176	4-14-47		
74 Noe, Earl McIntosh—	Box 231	Beaufort	Carteret	7	109	4-14-47		
75 Oakes, John Earle—	Police Dept.	Greensboro	Guilford	23	552	4-15-47		
76 Owens, William Robert—	R. F. D. No. 3	Walstonburg	Wilson	17	92	4-15-46		
77 Paradis, Joseph Emil—	Box 172	Kinston	Lenoir	6	4	9-19-45		
78 Parker, Norwood Price—	Box 21	Clinton	Sampson	9	98	11- 5-45		
79 Phillips, Ray Elbert—	120 E. Main St.	Washington	Beaufort	3	675	4-15-46		
80 Pittman, Charles Ernest—	303 Daniel St.	Wilson	Wilson	17	117	4-15-46		
81 Poliakoff, Matthew		Out of State		x	568	9-19-45		
82 Powell, John Luther—	Box 205	Wallace	Duplin	9	595	4-16-46		
83 Powers, Samuel Lewis—	Meridian St.	Rutherfordton	Rutherford	44	91	4-16-46		
84 Prince, Hugh Williamson—	Box 347	Dunn	Harnett	14	147	11- 5-45		
85 Ransom, Marvin Edward—	1066 S. Butler Drive	Midway Park	Onslow	10	429	4-14-47		
86 Reynolds, James Ingram—	528 Sunset Ave.	Clinton	Sampson	9	98	4-14-47		
87 Rhinehart, Clarence Lee—	Box 837	Rockwell	Rowan	25	657	4-14-47		

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS—CLASS "A"

April 17, 1947

NAMES AND LOCAL ADDRESSES	RESIDES IN			District	Lodge No.	Date Examined
	Post Office	County				
88 Ross, Marion Tillit—Box 1044.	Wilmington.	New Hanover		10	1	11-5-45
89 Royal, Franklin William—Box 27.	Devotion.	Alleghany		34	423	4-15-47
90 Royals, Robert Jones—Box 363.	High Point.	Guilford		23	344	9-20-45
91 Separk, Charles Page—408 S. Boylan Ave.	Raleigh.	Wake		15	40	11-5-45
92 Smith, Arthur Gray—129 W. Thomas St., Apt. 3.	Salisbury.	Rowan		25	543	4-16-46
93 Smith, Richard Hall—Box 94.	Williamston.	Martin		2	90	4-16-46
94 Smith, Wilbourne Mason—913 N. Road St.	Elizabeth City.	Pasquotank		1	317	4-15-46
95 Snipes, Zebulon Vance—126 E. Broad St.	Dunn.	Harnett		14	147	4-15-46
96 Stephens, William Harley—R.F.D. No. 3, Box 7.	Whiteville.	Columbus		10	207	4-15-47
97 Stott, Percy Clifton—Box 426.	Wendell.	Wake		15	565	11-5-45
98 Stout, Lee Harry—Box 312.	Boone.	Watauga		40	363	4-15-46
99 Strause, Nathan Philip—Box 336.	Henderson.	Vance		19	229	4-14-47
100 Swift, Hamil Newby—Box 2248.	Raleigh.	Wake		16	218	4-14-47
101 Taylor, Harry Stanton.	Hookerton.	Greene		6	95	11-5-45
102 Taylor, Kenneth.	Magnolia.	Duplin		9	279	11-5-45
103 Thompson, Reid I—1343 11th Ave.	Hickory.	Catawba		36	343	11-5-45
104 Updegrove, Edward George—608 Lindsay St.	High Point.	Guilford		23	344	4-14-47
105 Vause, Charles Edward.	Hookerton.	Greene		6	95	9-19-45
106 Vernon, Thomas Oliver—Box 265.	Forest City.	Rutherford		44	381	4-14-47
107 Whitehead, Henry Gibson—Box 31.	Dunn.	Harnett		14	147	4-14-47
108 Whitley, Walter Lathan—Box 53.	Bessemer City.	Gaston		28	515	4-14-47
109 Willard, James Slade—Box 57.	Greenville.	Pitt		5	284	2-26-47
110 Williams, Parks Oscar—2608 Westmoreland Ave.	Charlotte.	Mecklenburg		27	530	4-14-47
111 Wooten, Royal Preston.	Union Grove.	Iredell		29	571	4-14-47
112 Wright, Jas. Thomas Carr—401 Stanbury Circle.	Boone.	Watauga		40	363	11-5-45
113 Wynne, George Bennett—3406 Ruffin St.	Raleigh.	Wake		16	218	4-15-47
114 Young, Samuel Marvin—206 East Martin St.	Raleigh.	Wake		15	40	11-5-45



# ROSTER CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS—CLASS "B"

April 17, 1947

NAMES AND LOCAL ADDRESSES	RESIDES IN			District	Lodge No.	Date Examined
	Post Office	County				
1 Brewer, James Woodrow—1101 E. 4th St.	Greenville	Pitt	5	284	4-16-46	
2 Campen, Henry Allison—Box 605	Edenton	Chowan	2	7	4-16-46	
3 Dix, Howard Price—R.F.D. 3	Reidsville	Rockingham	23	384	4-15-47	
4 Finch, Andrew Jackson	Henderson	Vance	19	229	9-19-45	
5 Gay, Ballard Spruill—Box 6	Jackson	Northampton	4	56	4-15-47	
6 Glass, John Sidney—16 Courtland Ave.	Reidsville	Rockingham	23	384	4-15-47	
7 Green, James Bryan—119 E. Hargett St.	Raleigh	Wake	15	97	4-16-46	
8 Green, James Willis—201 S. Main St.	Roxboro	Person	20	113	4-14-47	
9 Mangum, John Marvin—907 Park Ave.	Durham	Durham	21	210	4-15-46	
10 Marable, Walter Thomas—607 ACL Bldg. "C"	Wilmington	New Hanover	10	319	9-18-45	
11 McCollum, John Clyde	Pittsboro	Chatham	13	102	4-15-47	
12 Owens, Willie Franklin—Box 84	Greenville	Pitt	5	284	2-26-47	
13 Powell, Thomas Grey—Coggeshall St.	Oxford	Granville	20	122	4-16-46	
14 Regan, Eli Troy—Oxford Orphanage	Oxford	Granville	20	122	4-16-46	
15 Slate, Thomas Gorrell—Box 840	Fayetteville	Cumberland	14	8	4-16-46	

PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS  
AND INSTRUCTORS

April 17, 1947

(By Lodges)

CLASS "A" LECTURER

CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

LODGE NO. 1

Bullard, Coy Swinston  
Howard, Edward C.  
Humphrey, G. Dudley  
Ross, Marion Tillit

LODGE NO. 4

Paradis, Joseph Emil

LODGE NO. 5

Grant, Biver Ernest

LODGE NO. 7

Francis, William Clive

Campen, Henry Allison

LODGE NO. 8

Luther, James Robert

Slate, Thomas G.

LODGE NO. 13

Jones, Robert Breathard

LODGE NO. 27

Brown, Jr., James Castle  
Marquette, John Frederick  
Miller, Joseph G.

LODGE NO. 31

Fox, Burke Wallace

LODGE NO. 40

Separk, Charles Page  
Young, Samuel Marvin

LODGE NO. 56

Gay, Ballard Spruiell

LODGE NO. 59

Lucas, Richard Harvey

LODGE NO. 83

Aman, Wm. A. S.  
Knauff, Earl Derr

LODGE NO. 90

Smith, Richard Hall

ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

CLASS "A" LECTURER

CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

LODGE NO. 91

Carpenter, Jonathan Harvey  
Powers, Samuel Lewis

LODGE NO. 92

Owens, Wm. Robert

LODGE NO. 95

Taylor, Harry Stanton  
Vause, Charles Edward

LODGE NO. 97

Green, James B.

LODGE NO. 98

Parker, Norwood P.  
Reynolds, James Ingram

LODGE NO. 99

Chambers, Adair Edward  
Kendrick, Everett Michael

LODGE NO. 102

McCollum, John Clyde

LODGE NO. 109

Noe, Earl McIntosh

LODGE NO. 112

Gillikin, Lester Haywood  
McKenzie, Robert S.

LODGE NO. 113

Harris, Charles Anderson      Green, James Willis

LODGE NO. 114

Flowers, Joseph F.

LODGE NO. 117

Pittman, Charles Ernest

LODGE NO. 122

Johnson, Daniel Sloan      Powell, Thomas Grey  
Regan, Eli Troy

LODGE NO. 127

Harris, Max Ray

LODGE NO. 147

Prince, Hugh Williamson  
Snipes, Zebulon Vance  
Whitehead, Henry Gibson

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

LODGE NO. 167

Morgan, Thomas J.

LODGE NO. 171

Harrell, Britton

LODGE NO. 176

Murrell, Irvin Henry

LODGE NO. 188

Jones, Vernon Lee

LODGE NO. 207

Stephens, William H.

LODGE NO. 210

Harrell, Samuel D.

Mangum, John Marvir.

LODGE NO. 218

Hardy, Lloyd D.  
Swift, Hamil Newby  
Wynne, George B.

LODGE NO. 229

Strause, Nathan P.

Finch, Andrew Jackson

LODGE NO. 230

Drummond, Grover Cleveland

LODGE NO. 259

Hosaflook, Claude Benton

LODGE NO. 261

Johnston, James Guy

LODGE NO. 267

Barkley, Kenneth L.

LODGE NO. 279

Taylor, Kenneth

LODGE NO. 283

Carver, James Henry

LODGE NO. 284

Bundy, William James  
Hardee, Walter Herman  
Willard, James S.Brewer, James Woodrow  
Owens, Willie Franklin

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

## LODGE NO. 299

Burgess, Claude  
Mullis, James H.

## LODGE NO. 317

Smith, Wilbourne Mason

## LODGE NO. 319

Hadley, William Riley  
King, Haywood Sherrill

Marable, Walter Thomas

## LODGE NO. 343

Thompson, Reid I.

## LODGE NO. 344

Haywood, Woodroe Franklin  
Lewis, Fleet  
Royals, Robert Jones  
Updegrove, Edward George

## LODGE NO. 352

Bryan, William A.

## LODGE NO. 363

Stout, Lee Harry  
Wright, James T. C.

## LODGE NO. 381

Caldwell, James Ernest  
Vernon, Thomas Oliver

## LODGE NO. 384

Dix, Howard Price  
Glass, John Sidney

## LODGE NO. 390

Hardy, William H.

## LODGE NO. 395

Bass, Leslie G.

## LODGE NO. 408

Harrington, Elmer Gibbs  
Lipman, Sol

## LODGE NO. 423

Royal, Franklin William

## LODGE NO. 429

Ransom, Marvin Edward

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

LODGE NO. 437

Freeman, Neill W.

LODGE NO. 446

Huff, Coy Jackson

LODGE NO. 447

Graham, Charles Durwood

LODGE NO. 459

Jarrett, Marcus Young

LODGE NO. 473

Greer, William C.  
Morgan, Eric Earl

LODGE NO. 496

Alexander, Charles P.  
Howell, Wiley Washington

LODGE NO. 498

Hawks, Ned A.

LODGE NO. 500

Harrington, Craven English

LODGE NO. 515

Kincaid, Arnold Wesley  
Whitley, Walter L.

LODGE NO. 517

Joyner, William Edward

LODGE NO. 519

Grant, Clifton Gordon

LODGE NO. 530

Williams, Parks Oscar

LODGE NO. 543

Smith, Arthur Gray

LODGE NO. 552

Oakes, John Earle

LODGE NO. 565

Stott, Percy C.



## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

CLASS "A" LECTURER

CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

## LODGE NO. 568

Farrow, Garrason Anglo  
Poliakoff, Matthew

## LODGE NO. 571

Wooten, Royal Preston

## LODGE NO. 584

Jordan, Lawrence Grady

## LODGE NO. 595

Johnson, Henry McNair  
Powell, John Luther

## LODGE NO. 650

Fay, Scott Stuart  
Leach, Cornelius

## LODGE NO. 657

Rhinehart, Clarence Lee

## LODGE NO. 665

Grieshamer, John

## LODGE NO. 669

Crawford, Herman Edgar

## LODGE NO. 673

Kinzie, Fred C.

## LODGE NO. 674

Creech, William Stevens  
Culler, Roy Bunyan

## LODGE NO. 675

Phillips, Ray E.

## LODGE NO. 676

Gettle, Herbert Houston

## LODGE NO. 678

Alford, John William

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ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS  
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April 17, 1947

(By Counties)

CLASS "A" LECTURER

CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

ALLEGHANY

Royal, Franklin William

BEAUFORT

Phillips, Ray E.

BERTIE

Grant, Biver Ernest  
Harrell, Britton

BUNCOMBE

Fay, Scott Stuart  
Grieshamer, John  
Huff, Coy Jackson  
Leach, Cornelius

CARTERET

Noe, Earl McIntosh

CATAWBA

Thompson, Reid I.

CHATHAM

McCollum, John Clyde

CHOWAN

Francis, William Clive

Campen, Henry Allison

COLUMBUS

Stephens, Wm. Harley

CRAVEN

Farrow, Garrason Anglo

CUMBERLAND

Luther, James Robert

Slate, Thomas G.

DAVIDSON

Greer, William C.  
Morgan, Eric Earl

DUPLIN

Johnson, Henry McNair  
Jones, Robert Breathard  
Powell, John Luther  
Taylor, Kenneth

DURHAM

Bryan, Wm. A.  
Harrell, Samuel D.

Mangum, John Marvin

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

## FORSYTH

Crawford, Herman Edgar  
Morgan, Thomas J.

## GASTON

Kincaid, Arnold Wesley  
Whitley, Walter L.

## GRANVILLE

Powell, Thomas Grey  
Regan, Eli Troy

## GREENE

Taylor, Harry Stanton  
Vause, Charles Edward

## GUILFORD

Creech, William Stevens  
Culler, Roy Bunyan  
Haywood, Woodroe Franklin  
Lewis, Fleet  
Oakes, John Earle  
Royals, Robert Jones  
Updegrove, Edward George

## HALIFAX

Graham, Charles Durwood  
Grant, Clifton Gordon

## HARNETT

Prince, Hugh Williamson  
Snipes, Zebulon Vance  
Whitehead, Henry Gibson

## HAYWOOD

Hosaflook, Claude Benton

## IREDELL

Alexander, Charles P.  
Brown, Jr., James C.  
Burgess, Claude  
Howell, Wiley W.  
Marquette, John Frederick  
Miller, Joseph G.  
Mullis, James H.  
Wooten, Royal Preston

## JACKSON

Jarrett, Marcus Young

## LENOIR

Paradis, Joseph Emil

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

## MARTIN

Smith, Richard Hall

## MECKLENBURG

Fox, Burke Wallace  
 Gettle, Herbert Houston  
 Johnston, James Guy  
 Murrell, Irvin Henry  
 Williams, Parks Oscar

## MONTGOMERY

Freeman, Neill W.  
 Harris, Max Ray

## NASH

Drummond, Grover Cleveland  
 Johnson, Daniel Sloan

## NEW HANOVER

Bass, Leslie G. Marable, Walter Thomas  
 Bullard, Coy S.  
 Hadley, Wm. R.  
 Humphrey, George Dudley  
 King, Haywood Sherrill  
 Ross, Marion Tillit

## NORTHAMPTON

Gay, Ballard Spruill

## ONSLOW

Aman, William A. S.  
 Knauff, Earl Derr  
 Ransom, Marvin Edward

## ORANGE

Harrington, Elmer Gibbs  
 Lipman, Sol

## PASQUOTANK

Smith, Wilbourne Mason

## PERSON

Harris, Charles Anderson Green, James Willis

## PITT

Bundy, William James Brewer, James Woodrow  
 Hardee, Walter Herman Owens, Willie Franklin  
 Hawks, Ned A.  
 Joyner, William Edward  
 Willard, James S.

## RANDOLPH

Jones, Vernon Lee

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

## ROBESON

Flowers, Joseph F.

## ROCKINGHAM

Dix, Howard Price  
Glass, John Sidney

## ROWAN

Carver, James Henry  
Chambers, Adair Edward  
Kendrick, Everette Michael  
Rhinehart, Clarence Lee  
Smith, Arthur Gray

## RUTHERFORD

Caldwell, James Ernest  
Carpenter, Jonathan Harvey  
Kinzie, Fred C.  
Powers, Samuel Lewis  
Vernon, Thomas Oliver

## SAMPSON

Parker, Norwood P.  
Reynolds, James Ingram

## SURRY

Hardy, William H.

## TRANSYLVANIA

Barkley, Kenneth Lester

## TYRRELL

Alford, John William

## VANCE

Strause, Nathan P.

Finch, Andrew Jackson

## WAKE

Hardy, Lloyd D.  
Harrington, Craven English  
Jordan, Lawrence Grady  
Separk, Charles Page  
Stott, Percy C.  
Swift, Hamil Newby  
Wynne, George B.  
Young, Samuel Marvin

Green, James B.

## WASHINGTON

Lucas, Richard Harvey

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

## ROSTER CERTIFIED LECTURERS AND INSTRUCTORS

## CLASS "A" LECTURER

## CLASS "B" INSTRUCTOR

## WATAUGA

Stout, Lee Harry  
Wright, James T. C.

## WAYNE

Gillikin, Lester Haywood  
McKenzie, Robert S.

## WILSON

Owens, William Robert  
Pittman, Charles Ernest

## OUT OF STATE

Howard, Edward C.  
Poliakoff, Matthew

## RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE LECTURE SERVICE

Promulgated by the Board of Custodians April 16, 1947, and Effective on That Date.

1. Lecture Districts are hereby abolished.
2. An Assistant Grand Lecturer may accept invitation to instruct in the Ritualistic Work from any lodge in the State of North Carolina, regardless of location.
3. Class "A" Certified Lecturers are urged to co-operate in this work by accepting invitations to instruct in the Ritualistic Work from lodges located near their residences.
4. Each subordinate lodge is required under Regulation 268 to have instruction in the Ritualistic Work for a period of not less than one week in every consecutive two years. For this instruction, the Grand Lodge will allow credit as set forth in Rule 8. At least fifteen (15) consecutive calendar months shall elapse between the dates of such instruction.
  - (a) The required one week of instruction may be complied with as in the past, that is,
    - (1) The lecturer may visit the lodge for the entire week, on one trip, or
    - (2) He may make several trips to the lodge, in which case instruction must be given for not less than twenty-four (24) hours of ACTUAL INSTRUCTION, *excluding* travel time and time when he is not actually instructing; provided, also, that there shall be instruction on each of not less than five different days, and



all within a period of thirty (30) days, beginning the first day of the lecturer's engagement.

- (b) The Board of Custodians recommends that the instruction be rendered on consecutive days, whenever it is practicable or if circumstances render it more efficient, but this is not mandatory.
5. A Class "A" Certified Lecturer, during the period he is on the roster of such Class, is authorized to instruct subordinate lodges for compensation.
6. A Class "B" Certified Instructor, during the period he is on the roster of such Class, may give instruction in the scope of work coming under Class "B", for which he shall *not* receive compensation.
7. The fee for instruction in the Ritualistic Work for a Certified Lecturer shall not exceed Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) for one week's instruction, or the equivalent thereof, as set forth in Rule 4-(a)-(2); for an Assistant Grand Lecturer the fee shall not exceed \$50.00 for one week's instruction, or the equivalent thereof as set forth in Rule 4 - (a)-(2).
8. (a) The Grand Lodge will allow a credit of the fee set forth in Rule 7 to each lodge instructed for the one week's minimum in every consecutive two years required under Regulation 268 and these Rules.
  - (b) Subordinate lodges will pay all Lecturers, *except Assistant Grand Lecturers*, the fee for instruction. After payment of such fee, the lodge shall forward the Lecturer's certificate of service, under the seal of the lodge, and his receipt for payment to the Grand Secretary, who will determine whether, under Regulation 268 and these Rules, the lodge is entitled to credit for the instruction, and if it is, he will either credit the lodge's account or reimburse the lodge by voucher the stipulated amount.
  - (c) In case the instruction is given by an *Assistant Grand Lecturer*, his certificate of service, under seal of the lodge instructed, shall be forwarded to the Grand Secretary, who will determine whether, under Regulation 268 and these rules, the lodge is entitled to the instruction at the expense of the Grand Lodge for the fee, and if it is, he will issue voucher to the Assistant Grand Lecturer, on monthly basis as heretofore, for the stipulated amount.
9. A lodge desiring instruction in the Ritualistic Work shall make all the necessary arrangements and agreements for the service with the Assistant Grand Lecturer or the Class "A" Certified Lecturer of its choice. Immediately after such service has been rendered, the lodge shall—
  - (a) Pay all proper transportation, board and lodging expense, necessary to fill the engagement, incurred by the lecturer.

- (b) Transportation expense shall not exceed five cents per mile actually traveled, each way, when private automobile is used, or it may be the actual railroad or bus fare between the residence of the lecturer and the lodge served. Transportation expense may properly be the subject of a special agreement between the lodge and the lecturer, before the instruction is commenced. It is the intent of the Board of Custodians that travel expense, board and lodging shall not be made an unreasonable burden on lodges.
10. A lodge not entitled to instruction in the Ritualistic work, under Regulation 268 and these rules, which accepts instruction from any Assistant Grand Lecturer or Class "A" Certified Lecturer, shall pay the fee and expenses of the lecturer rendering the service for such instruction, without reimbursement from the Grand Lodge.
  11. A lodge may obtain special lecture service or instruction as often as it desires, but the lodge, in such cases, shall pay all fees and expenses incident thereto which exceed one week in every two consecutive years, as set forth herein.
  12. Any special lecture service rendered to a lodge should be reported by the Secretary of the lodge to the Grand Secretary, for the record.
  13. The Grand Secretary shall prepare and provide all forms for certificates, reports and records under these rules.
- By authority of Reg. 268 Adopted 1945.

#### BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Grand Master*,  
 GARRASON A. FARROW, *P. M., Grand Lecturer*,  
 JAMES E. SHIPMAN, *P. G. M., Chairman*,  
 CRAVEN E. HARRINGTON, *P. M.*,  
 CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *P. G. M., Secretary*.

Raleigh April 16, 1947.

**THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA, A. F. & A. M.**  
**OFFICIAL FORM OF CERTIFICATE**  
**LECTURE SERVICE**

1. THIS CERTIFIES that Brother \_\_\_\_\_ instructed this  
lodge in the Ritualistic Work on these dates:

(See Note No. 1 Below)

in full conformity to the Regulations and Rules pertaining to such instruction.

(LODGE SEAL  
HERE)

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge, No. \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary  
(See Note No. 2 Below)

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Master  
(See Note No. 2 Below)

2. THIS CERTIFIES that full settlement of the Fee has \_\_\_\_\_ been made, for the  
instruction mentioned above. All expenses have been paid.  
(See Note No. 3 Below)

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Lecturer  
(See Note No. 3 Below)

- NOTES:** 1. The dates on which instruction was given must be entered on the proper line above. This is for the record in the office of the Grand Secretary.  
2. The Master and the Secretary of the lodge must each sign the first certificate. The lodge seal must be impressed where indicated.  
3. The Lecturer must fill out and sign the second certificate. If settlement has NOT been made for the fee, write the word **NOT** in the blank space.  
4. Both of the above certificates must be filed with the Grand Secretary.  
5. Forms may be obtained from the Grand Secretary.

## RULES FOR GOVERNING THE OFFICIAL STANDARD OF THE WORK AND THE VOCABULARY

In effect April 17th, 1947

The Official Standard of the Work and the Vocabulary adopted by the Grand Lodge in April, 1942, are to be distributed under the following rules made by the Board of Custodians, pursuant to Regulation 283, as adopted in 1942 (see Grand Lodge Proceedings for 1942, at pages 77 and 78) and as amended in 1945:

(Promulgated by the Board of Custodians, at Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19, 1945.)

**RULE 1.** The Grand Secretary shall be the Custodian of all un-issued copies of the Official Standard of the Work and the Vocabulary, and shall issue them only upon proper written application. He shall provide all forms of application, receipts and other documents necessary to account for the same, and shall keep a record of all copies issued, and to whom issued.

**RULE 2.** Receipts for the Official Standard of the Work or the Vocabulary shall be given on such forms as may be prescribed by the Grand Secretary. Immediately on receipt of a copy of either, the brother receiving the same shall sign proper receipt, which shall be transmitted to the Grand Secretary promptly.

**RULE 3.** The Vocabulary shall be issued only to Secretaries of our subordinate lodges, who shall receipt therefor and be held responsible for the same. He shall transfer the Vocabulary, so issued to him, to his successor in office and take his receipt for the same. In the event he is unable, for any cause, to deliver to his successor the copy of the Vocabulary in his possession, the Master of his lodge shall take up his copy of the Vocabulary and re-issue it to his successor in office, taking his receipt for the same which shall be forwarded immediately to the Grand Secretary.

**RULE 4.** Only each of those in the following categories are qualified to apply for and obtain the loan of one copy of the Official Standard of the Work, to-wit: Masters, Senior Wardens, Junior Wardens, Senior Deacons and Junior Deacons of our subordinate lodges; Grand Lodge Line Officers, District Deputy Grand Masters; members of the Board of Custodians; Assistant Grand Lecturers; Certified Lecturers, and Certified Instructors, while they occupy the said offices and positions and while they are qualified as indicated in this Rule.

**RULE 5.** (a) At the installation of officers following the annual election, each retiring officer elective or appointive in the Grand Lodge and in our subordinate lodges shall deliver to his successor in office the copy of the Official Standard of the Work held by him, and in the event his successor has a copy, then the retiring officer shall transfer his copy to a new officer entitled to the same, who does not have a copy, and the successor so receiving the Official Standard of the Work shall sign the prescribed receipt therefor, which shall be forwarded immediately to the Grand Secretary. It is the purpose of this paragraph to make

it possible for a brother to retain the same copy of the Official Standard of the Work originally issued to him so long as he is entitled to have the use of the same under Rule No. 4.

(b) In case a brother, who holds a copy of the Official Standard of the Work under Rule 4, should vacate his office or lose the qualification which entitles him to the use of a copy of the Official Standard of the Work, due to death, resignation, lapse of certificate, or for any other cause, then the Master of his lodge shall take up the copy of the Official Standard of the Work held by such brother and either forward it to the Grand Secretary, or re-issue it to a brother who fills the vacancy, if any, and take a receipt for the same, which receipt he shall forward to the Grand Secretary immediately.

RULE 6. No writing, marking or notations of any nature whatsoever shall be made in or upon any copy of either the Official Standard of the Work or the Vocabulary, and it shall be the duty of any District Deputy Grand Master or any Assistant Grand Lecturer or any Certified Lecturer, at any time, to call for any copy of either, and to examine the same to determine whether this Rule has been violated; and if it has been violated, he shall immediately take up such copy marked in violation hereof, and forward the same at once to the Grand Secretary, and report his action to the Grand Master without delay. (See also Regulation No. 283, Paragraph (g) 4, 1945.)

RULE 7. In case of loss or destruction of either the Official Standard of the Work or the Vocabulary, the Grand Secretary shall be notified immediately, giving a full report of the circumstances surrounding the said loss or destruction.

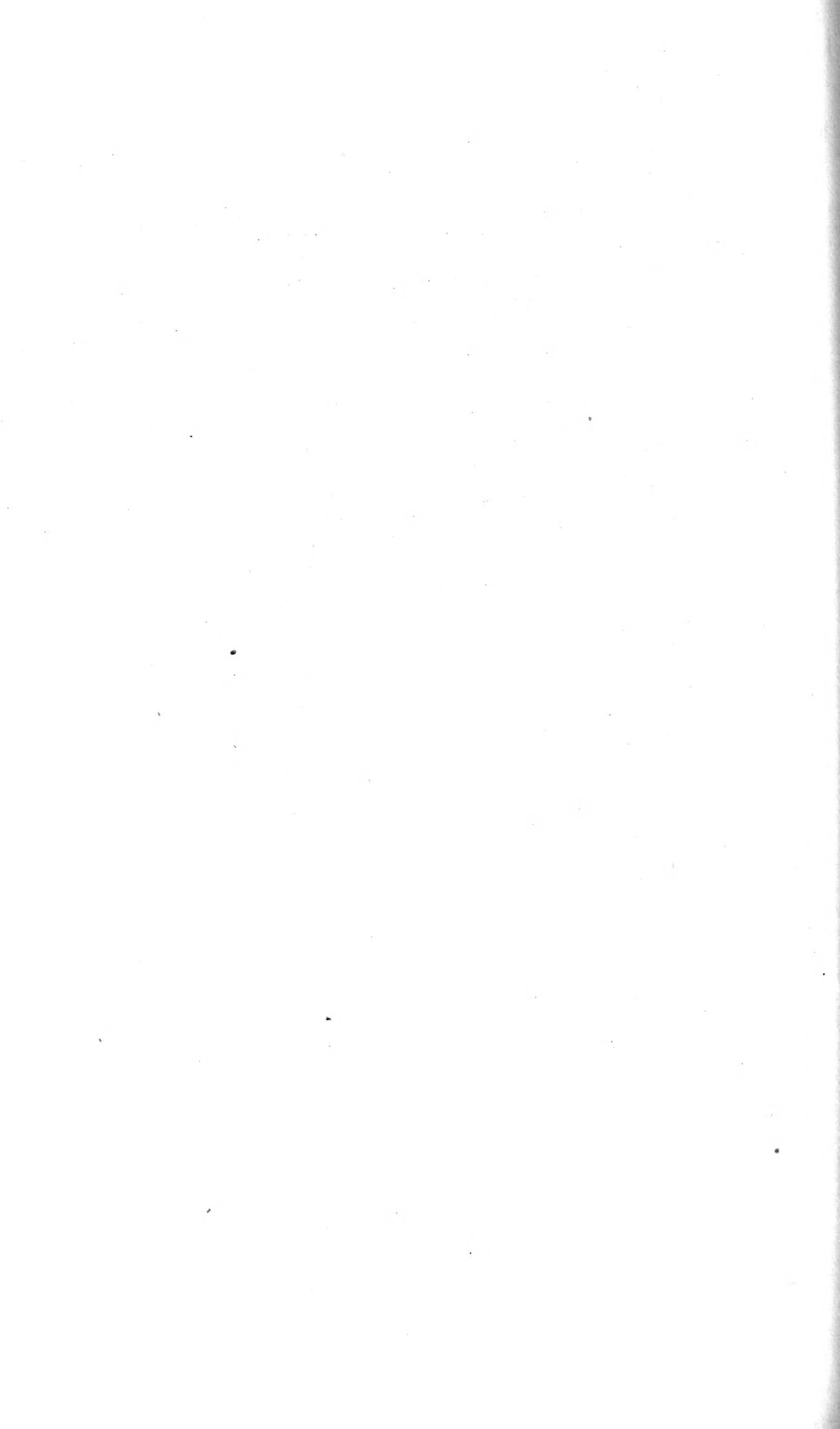
RULE 8. Neither the Official Standard of the Work nor the Vocabulary shall be used in any lodge while conferring the degrees, nor at any time in coaching or instructing candidates.

RULE 9. Neither the Official Standard of the Work nor the Vocabulary shall be issued to one entitled to the use of the same under those Rules, unless applied for in writing on the proper form.

Enclosed are forms of application which should properly be filled out and mailed to the Grand Secretary, if your lodge desires the loan of the Official Standard of the Work or the Vocabulary. The Master, the Senior Warden, the Junior Warden, the Senior Deacon and the Junior Deacon desiring a copy must each sign the application for the Official Standard of the Work, and the Secretary must sign the application for the Vocabulary. *Each application must bear the imprint of the seal of the lodge.*

Fraternally yours, THE BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

CLYDE H. JARRETT, *Grand Master*,  
ZEB. V. SNIPES, *Grand Lecturer*,  
CRAVEN E. HARRINGTON, *P. M.*,  
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## GRAND OFFICERS (ELECTIVE) OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM ORGANIZATION IN 1787 TO 1947

	Grand Master	Deputy Grand Master	Senior Gr. Warden	Junior Gr. Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1787	Samuel Johnston.....	Richard Caswell.....	Richard Ellis.....	Michael Payne.....	Abner Neale.....	James Glasgow
1788	Richard Caswell.....	Michael Payne.....	James Glasgow.....	Silas White Arnett.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	William J. Dawson
1789	Samuel Johnston.....	James Glasgow.....	Silas White Arnett.....	Lunsford Long.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	William J. Dawson
1790	Samuel Johnston.....	James Glasgow.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	Isaac Guion.....	Frederick Hargett.....	Matthias Handy
1791	Samuel Johnston.....	James Glasgow.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	Lunsford Long.....	Frederick Hargett.....	Matthias Handy
1792	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	Lunsford Long.....	John Macon.....	Frederick Hargett.....	James Ellis
1793	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Macon.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Frederick Hargett.....	Richard W. Freear
1794	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	John Ingles.....	Walter Alvis.....	Richard W. Freear
1795	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Henry Hill.....	John Macon.....	Robert Williams
1796	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Richard W. Freear.....	Robert Williams
1797	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Richard W. Freear.....	Robert Williams
1798	Wm. Richardson Davie.....	John Haywood.....	Montfort Stokes.....	David Caldwell.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1799	William Polk.....	John Haywood.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Waghstall Avery.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1800	William Polk.....	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Winslow.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1801	William Polk.....	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	William Duff.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1802	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Hall.....	Nathaniel Alexander.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1803	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Hall.....	William Duff.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1804	John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Robert Cochran.....	Robert Cochran.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1805	John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Robert Cochran.....	William Duff.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1806	John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Benjamin Smith.....	Geo. Lee Davidson.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1807	John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Benjamin Smith.....	Andrew Caldwell.....	William Boylan.....	Thomas L. Williams
1808	Benjamin Smith.....	Robert Williams.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Boylan.....	Thomas L. Williams
1809	Benjamin Smith.....	Robert Williams.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Geo. Lee Davidson.....	William Boylan.....	Thomas L. Williams
1810	Benjamin Smith.....	Robert Williams.....	Calvin Jones.....	Geo. Lee Davidson.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1811	Robert Williams.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1812	Robert Williams.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1813	Robert Williams.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1814	John Louis Taylor.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1815	John Louis Taylor.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1816	John Louis Taylor.....	Kemp Plummer.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1817	Calvin Jones.....	John Winslow.....	James Iredell.....	Simmons J. Baker.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1818	Calvin Jones.....	John Winslow.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Leonard Henderson.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1819	James Iredell.....	James Iredell.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Leonard Henderson.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1820	John Adams Cameron.....	Frederick Nash.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John C. Ehringhaus.....	William Boylan.....	Bazaleel Gillett
1821	John Adams Cameron.....	James Iredell.....	Jas. Strudwick Smith.....	Joseph H. Bryan.....	William Boylan.....	Bazaleel Gillett
1822	James Strudwick Smith.....	James Iredell.....	Joseph H. Bryan.....	Richard D. Spaight.....	William Boylan.....	Benjamin A. Barham
1823	Robert Strange.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	Thomas Clancy.....	Bazaleel Gillett.....	William Boylan.....	Benjamin A. Barham
1824	Robert Strange.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	Thomas A. Pasteur.....	Bazaleel Gillett.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1825	Hutchins Gordon Burton.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	George E. Spruill.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1826	Hutchins Gordon Burton.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	George E. Spruill.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1827	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John E. Lewis.....	George E. Spruill.....	Jesse Speight.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman
1828	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John Owen.....	James Grant.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman
1829	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John Owen.....	James Grant.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman
1830	Richard Dobbs Spaight.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	George Blair.....	John Hill Wheeler.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman

1831	Richard Dobbs Spaight...	Samuel F. Patterson...	Rufus Haywood...	Daniel Coleman...	Dirk Lindeman...	Charles D. Lehman...
1832	Simmons Jones Baker...	William Davidson...	Gray Little...	John G. Marshall...	Dirk Lindeman...	Thomas J. Lemay...
1833	Samuel F. Patterson...	David W. Stone...	Daniel Coleman...	Edmund B. Freeman...	Dirk Lindeman...	John J. Christophers...
1834	David W. Stone...	David W. Stone...	Daniel Coleman...	John G. Marshall...	Green W. Ligon...	John J. Christophers...
1835	Lewis H. Martzeller...	David W. Stone...	Henry Blount...	James MacLin...	Green W. Ligon...	William T. Bain...
1836	Lewis H. Martzeller...	David W. Stone...	William W. Cherry...	William B. Dunn...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1837	David W. Stone...	Kenneth Rayner...	William W. Cherry...	Duncan G. McRae...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1838	David W. Stone...	William B. Dunn...	John G. Marshall...	Daniel S. Crenshaw...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1839	David W. Stone...	William S. Baker...	Daniel S. Crenshaw...	Kader Biggs...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William A. Harrison...
1840	Simmons Jones Baker...	Thomas Loring...	Thomas E. Pender...	David Young...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William A. Harrison...
1841	John Hill Wheeler...	Jonathan H. Jacobs...	Thomas E. Pender...	David Young...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William A. Harrison...
1842	John Hill Wheeler...	David Lowry Swain...	Phineas W. Fanning...	William P. Taylor...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William A. Harrison...
1843	John Hill Wheeler...	David W. Stone...	Phineas W. Fanning...	Arthur S. Moore...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1844	Phineas W. Fanning...	Thomas Loring...	Phineas W. Fanning...	Talcott Burr...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1845	Phineas W. Fanning...	William Gott...	Wiley W. Johnson...	Peter Adams...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1846	Phineas W. Fanning...	William Gott...	John H. Drake...	Peter Adams...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1847	William F. Collins...	Clement H. Jordan...	Talcott Burr...	William H. Mead...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1848	William F. Collins...	Clement H. Jordan...	John H. Drake...	Job Hiatt...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1849	William F. Collins...	Clement H. Jordan...	William G. Hill...	Job Hiatt...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1850	Alonzo T. Jenkins...	Cyrus P. Mendenhall...	Luke Blackner...	James E. Allen...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1851	Alonzo T. Jenkins...	Cyrus P. Mendenhall...	Luke Blackner...	James E. Allen...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1852	Alonzo T. Jenkins...	Cyrus P. Mendenhall...	Luke Blackner...	James E. Allen...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1853	Clement H. Jordan...	William P. Taylor...	Peter Adams...	William P. Taylor...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1854	Clement H. Jordan...	William P. Taylor...	William K. Blake...	James H. Moore...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1855	Pleasant A. Holt...	William P. Taylor...	William K. Blake...	Joseph Green...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1856	Pleasant A. Holt...	Alfred Martin...	James T. Alexander...	Joseph Green...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1857	Alfred Martin...	Lewis S. Williams...	James T. Alexander...	F. M. Cox...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1858	Alfred Martin...	Lewis S. Williams...	Henry C. Lucas...	F. M. Cox...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1859	Lewis S. Williams...	Lewis S. Williams...	Henry C. Lucas...	Daniel Coleman...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1860	Lewis S. Williams...	Eli W. Ward...	Henry C. Lucas...	El F. Watson...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1861	William G. Hill...	Eli Watson...	James E. Allen...	El F. Watson...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1862	William G. Hill...	Eli Watson...	James E. Allen...	Charles C. Clark...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1863	Eli F. Watson...	Edwin Godwin Reade...	Daniel Coleman...	Rufus K. Speed...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1864	Eli F. Watson...	Edwin Godwin Reade...	John McCormick...	Rufus K. Speed...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1865	John McCormick...	Eugene Grissom...	John McCormick...	Robert W. Best...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1866	Edwin Godwin Reade...	John M. Huppoldt...	Robert W. Best...	Robert W. Best...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1867	Robert W. Best...	Robert W. Best...	William Lander...	John Nichols...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1868	Robert W. Best...	James G. Ramsey...	Robert B. Vance...	John Nichols...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	William T. Bain...
1869	Robert B. Vance...	Ellis Malone...	Joseph B. Batchelor...	Thomas M. Gardner...	Cel. W. D. Hutchings...	Donald W. Bain...
1870	Charles C. Clark...	Joseph B. Batchelor...	John Nichols...	Samuel H. Rountree...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1871	Charles C. Clark...	Joseph B. Batchelor...	John Nichols...	Samuel H. Rountree...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1872	John Nichols...	Thomas M. Gardner...	Clinton A. Cilley...	Clinton A. Cilley...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1873	John Nichols...	Thomas M. Gardner...	Clinton A. Cilley...	Robert W. Hardie...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1874	George W. Blount...	Clinton A. Cilley...	Clinton A. Cilley...	Robert W. Hardie...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1875	George W. Blount...	Eugene Grissom...	Horace B. Munson...	Horace H. Munson...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1876	Horace H. Munson...	Clinton A. Cilley...	Robert W. Hardie...	Robert V. Blackstock...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1877	Horace H. Munson...	Thomas S. Kenan...	Robert W. Hardie...	James C. L. Gudger...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1878	William R. Cox...	James C. L. Gudger...	Chas. W. Alexander...	James C. L. Gudger...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1879	William R. Cox...	James C. L. Gudger...	Chas. W. Alexander...	Henry F. Grainger...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...
1880	Henry F. Grainger...	James W. Reid...	Robert Bingham...	Charles H. Robinson...	William E. Anderson...	Donald W. Bain...

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GRAND OFFICERS (ELECTIVE) OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM ORGANIZATION IN 1787 TO 1947  
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Grand Master	Deputy Grand Master	Senior Gr. Warden	Junior Gr. Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1881	Henry F. Grainger.	James W. Reid.	Robert Bingham.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1882	Robert Bingham.	Fabius H. Busbee.	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1883	Robert Bingham.	Fabius H. Busbee.	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1884	Fabius H. Busbee.	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1885	Charles H. Busbee.	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1886	Charles H. Robinson.	Samuel H. Smith.	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1887	Charles H. Robinson.	Samuel H. Smith.	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1888	Samuel H. Robinson.	Samuel H. Smith.	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1889	Samuel H. Smith.	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	John W. Cotten.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1890	Samuel H. Smith.	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	John W. Cotten.	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Balm
1891	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	John W. Cotten.	Francis M. Moyle.	Darius Wiatt.	Donald W. Balm
1892	Hezekiah A. Gudger.	John W. Cotten.	Francis M. Moyle.	William Simpson.	Donald W. Balm
1893	John W. Cotten.	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	William H. Balm
1894	John W. Cotten.	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	William H. Balm
1895	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	William H. Balm
1896	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1897	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1898	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1899	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1900	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1901	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1902	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1903	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1904	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1905	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1906	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1907	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1908	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1909	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1910	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1911	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1912	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1913	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1914	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1915	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1916	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1917	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1918	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1919	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1920	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1921	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1922	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1923	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary
1924	Francis M. Moyle.	Richard J. Noble.	Richard J. Noble.	William Simpson.	John C. Dreary

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1925	Leon Cash.....	John E. Cameron.....	J. H. Anderson.....	R. C. Dunn.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1926	John E. Cameron.....	J. H. Anderson.....	R. C. Dunn.....	J. J. Phoenix.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1927	John H. Anderson.....	R. C. Dunn.....	J. J. Phoenix.....	A. J. Harris.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1928	R. C. Dunn.....	John J. Phoenix.....	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.....	B. S. Royster, Jr.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	John H. Anderson.....
1929	John J. Phoenix.....	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.....	J. W. Winborne.....	P. T. Wilson.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1930	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.....	J. W. Winborne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1931	J. W. Winborne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	P. T. Wilson.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1932	H. C. Alexander.....	P. T. Wilson.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	J. G. Hudson.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1933	P. T. Wilson.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1934	Roy F. Ebbs.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	J. G. Hudson.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1935	Chas. B. Newcomb.....	J. G. Hudson.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	J. Edward Allen.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1936	J. G. Hudson.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1937	Watson N. Sherrod.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	J. Edward Allen.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1938	Harry T. Paterson.....	J. Edward Allen.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	Jas. E. Shipman.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1939	J. Edward Allen.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	Jas. W. Payne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1940	Thos. J. Harkins.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	Jas. E. Shipman.....	Julius C. Hobbs.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1941	C. P. Eldridge.....	Jas. E. Shipman.....	Jas. W. Payne.....	Clyde H. Jarrett.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1942	James E. Shipman.....	James W. Payne.....	Julius C. Hobbs.....	W. J. Bundy.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1943	James W. Payne.....	Julius C. Hobbs.....	Clyde H. Jarrett.....	L. T. Hartsell, Jr.....	H. C. Alexander.....	Chas. B. Newcomb.....
1944	Julius C. Hobbs.....	Clyde H. Jarrett.....	W. J. Bundy.....	Maxwell E. Hoffman.....	H. C. Alexander.....	W. L. McIver.....
1945	Clyde H. Jarrett.....	W. J. Bundy.....	L. T. Hartsell, Jr.....	W. P. Horton.....	H. C. Alexander.....	W. L. McIver.....
1946	Wm. J. Bundy.....	L. T. Hartsell, Jr.....	Maxwell E. Hoffman.....	W. E. Caldwell.....	H. C. Alexander.....	
1947	Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.....	Maxwell E. Hoffman.....	W. P. Horton.....			

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

## GRAND LODGES—MONTHS OF MEETINGS, ADDRESSES GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES

Corrected to March 1, 1948

GRAND LODGE	MONTH	GRAND MASTER and ADDRESS	GRAND SECRETARY and ADDRESS
Alabama	November	Irving E. Farmer	C. H. Stubinger, Masonic Temple
Arizona	April	William M. Cox	Harry A. Drachman, Box 229
Arkansas	November	Noah Stockburger	W. A. Thomas, Albert Pike Mem. Temple
California	October	Chester H. Warlow	Lloyd E. Wilson, Masonic Temple
Colorado	September	John E. Swinton	Harry W. Bundy (319 Masonic Temple)
Connecticut	April	Charles J. Ramage	Earle K. Haling (acting), Masonic Temple
Delaware	October	Paul Yearsley	Chester R. Jones, 818 Market St.
Dist. of Columbia	December	Dean H. Stanley	Aubrey H. Clayton, Masonic Temple
Florida	April	Frank H. Thompson	George W. Huff, 715 Masonic Temple
Georgia	October	J. Clayton Perry	Daniel W. Locklin, 801 Mulberry St.
Idaho	September	Howard I. Monks	Clyde I. Rush, Box 1677
Illinois	October	Fred I. Mills	Richard C. Davenport, Box 441
Indiana	May	W. Henry Roberts	Dwight L. Smith, Masonic Temple
Iowa	June	J. V. Gray	Earl B. Delzell, Masonic Library
Kansas	February	James H. Stewart, Jr.	Elmer F. Strain, 320 W. Eighth Ave.
Kentucky	October	Rube McKnight	Alpheus E. Orton, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Louisiana	February	Q. T. Hardtner	D. Peter Laguens, Jr., 300 Mas. Temple
Maine	May	Carroll W. Keene	Convers E. Leach, Masonic Temple
Maryland	November	Harry L. Huether	Claud Shaffer, Masonic Temple
Massachusetts	December	Roger Keith	Frank H. Hilton, Masonic Temple
Michigan	May	Clarence A. Hooper	F. Homer Newton, Masonic Temple
Minnesota	January	John B. Tomhave	John H. Anderson, Masonic Temple
Mississippi	February	W. Frank McDonald	Sid F. Curtis, Box 1030
Missouri	September	Morris E. Ewing	Dr. Harold L. Reader
Montana	August	Stephen A. Holt	3681 Lindell Blvd.
Nebraska	June	Edward Huwaldt	Luther T. Hauberg, Box 896
Nevada	June	George A. Montrose	Carl R. Greisen, 401 Masonic Temple
New Hampshire	May	Harold O. Cady	E. C. Peterson, 500 Mountain St.
New Jersey	April	Frank Kovach	J. Melvin Dresser, 44 S. Main St.
New Mexico	March	Rubert F. Asplund	Isaac Cherry, Masonic Temple
New York	May	Gay H. Brown	LaMoine Langston, Box 535
North Carolina	April	Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.	G. R. Irving, Masonic Hall, 71 W. 23rd St.
North Dakota	June	Verne Wells	Wilbur L. McIver, Box 3068
Ohio	October	Raymond A. Younger	Walter L. Stockwell, Masonic Temple
Oklahoma	February	D. E. McCroskey	Harry S. Johnson, Masonic Temple
			C. A. Sturgeon, Masonic Temple
			Helena
			Omaha
			Concord
			Trenton
			Albuquerque
			New York
			Raleigh
			Fargo
			Cincinnati
			Guthrie



Oregon	June	Walter M. Ransom	Eugene	H. D. Proudfoot, Masonic Temple	Portland 5
Pennsylvania	December	George H. Deike	Pittsburgh	Matthew Galt, Jr., Masonic Temple	Philadelphia 7
Rhode Island	May	James B. Littlefield*	Providence 3	N. Arthur Hyland, 127 Dorrance St.	Providence 3
South Carolina	March	A. J. M. Wannamaker	Orangeburg	O. Frank Hart, 502 Palmetto State Life Bldg., Columbia 1	Columbia 1
South Dakota	June	Ralph R. Twamley	White Lake	Elvin F. Strain, Box 468	Sioux Falls
Tennessee	January	Anderson L. Price	Jackson	Thomas E. Doss, Box 216	Nashville 2
Texas	December	Horace K. Jackson	Gatesville	George H. Belev	Waco
Utah	January	Harold Cline	Milford	Emery R. Gibson, Masonic Temple	Salt Lake City 2
Vermont	June	J. Harold Stacey	Windsor	Aaron H. Grout, Masonic Temple	Burlington
Virginia	February	Charles E. Webber	Salem	Dr. James N. Hillman, Masonic Temple	Richmond 20
Washington	June	Stewart E. Perry	Puyallup	John I. Preissner, Masonic Temple	Tacoma
West Virginia	October	Charles H. Troxell	Fairmont	Ira Wade Coffman, Box 2346	Charleston 28
Wisconsin	June	Van Dyke Parker	Malden 3	William F. Weller, 705 E. Wells St.	Milwaukee 2
Wyoming	August	James R. Mitchell	Casper	Irving E. Clark, Masonic Temple	Casper

\* Deceased

# LIST OF GRAND SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES

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## AMERICAN POSSESSIONS

Philippine Isles.....Antonio Gonzalez.....P. O. Box 990, Manila  
 Porto Rico.....Angel M. Torres.....P. O. Box 747, San Juan

## CANADA

Alberta.....George Moore.....Calgary, Masonic Temple,  
 12th Ave. W.  
 British Columbia.....W. R. Simpson.....692 Seymour St., Vancouver  
 Canada (in Ontario).....E. G. Dixon.....Drawer 227, Hamilton  
 Manitoba.....Dr. P. T. Pilkey.....Masonic Temple, Winnipeg  
 New Brunswick.....R. D. Magee.....Box 430, St. Johns  
 Nova Scotia.....R. V. Harris.....Masonic Temple, Halifax  
 Prince Edward Island.....L. A. McDougall.....Box 112, Charlottetown  
 Quebec.....W. W. Williamson.....1559 St. Mark St., Montreal  
 Saskatchewan.....Robert A. Tate.....Box 246, Regina

## BRITISH EMPIRE

England.....Sydney A. White.....Freemasons' Hall,  
 Great Queen St.,  
 7 W. C. 2, London  
 Ireland.....Henry C. Shellard.....Freemasons Hall, Dublin  
 Scotland.....W. King Gillies.....96 George St., Edinburgh  
 New South Wales.....James S. Miller.....Masonic Temple, Sydney  
 New Zealand.....H. A. Lamb.....P. O. Box 548, Dunedin  
 Queensland.....E. G. Radford.....Box 675, K. G.  
 P. O., Brisbane  
 South Australia.....F. J. Ellen.....Freemasons' Hall,  
 North Terrace, Adelaide  
 Tasmania.....H. A. Wilkinson.....117 Macquarie St., Hobart  
 Victoria.....William Stewart.....25 Collins St., Melbourne  
 Western Australia.....F. W. M. Sanders.....Freemasons' Hall, Perth

## SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina.....Pedro A. Rome.....Cangallo 1242,  
 Buenos Aires  
 Brazil:  
 Amazonas and Acre  
 Grand Orient of.....Elviro D. Cavalcanti.....P. O. Box 362, Manaus  
 Bahia.....Aguinaldo Marques Lobo.....Rua Carlos Gomes  
 N. 21, Bahia  
 Cera.....Luiz Nepomuceno de Mattos.....Masonic Temple, Cera  
 Rio de Janeiro  
 Grande Loja Do.....Jose Rodrigues.....Rua Do Carmo 64-1,  
 Box 2215,  
 Rio de Janeiro  
 Parahyba.....Candido Marinho Rocha.....Caixa Postal 333,  
 Belem, Para  
 Rio Grande Do Sul  
 Grand Orient of.....Leopoldo R. Schreiner.....Caixa Postal No. 683,  
 Porto Alegre  
 Chile.....Dr. Juan Eduardo Pastene.....P.O. Box 2867, Santiago  
 Colombia:  
 National Gr. Lodge.....Enrique de Paramo.....Apartado Postal 2519,  
 Bogota  
 Peru.....Jose Polar Ramos.....Apartado Postal No. 587,  
 Lima  
 Venezuela:  
 Caracao.....N. Garcia Baptista.....Apartado de Correos 927,  
 Caracas

## CENTRAL AMERICA

Costa Rica.....Enrique Chaves Bolanos.....Apartado Y, San Jose  
 Cuba: Isle de Cuba.....Dr. C. P. Gutierrez.....Apartado 72, La Habana  
 Ecuador.....Augusto Jijon T.....Casilla No. 932, Guayaquil  
 Mexico:  
 Valle de Mexico.....Arturo Deloy Labardini.....Apartado Postal 10,  
 Mexico, D. F.  
 York Grand Lodge.....Carl E. De Vries.....Apartado 1986, Mexico, D. F.  
 Panama.....Jose Oller.....P. O. Box 84, Panama  
 Salvador: Cuscatlan.....Humberto Acosta.....San Salvador

# GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

of North Carolina Near Other Grand Lodges

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of Other Grand Lodges Near North Carolina

ADDRESS	GRAND LODGE	ADDRESS
Shelton H. Hendrix	Mobile	D. E. Bulluck
Charles E. Bellis	Nogales	Frank C. Abernethy
Paul S. Lyon	N. Little Rock	E. D. Cline
Mark B. Gill	Fort Morgan	W. N. Sherrod
Geo. B. Kimball	Stratford	S. N. Boyce
Urah W. Long	Selbyville	A. B. Goetze
Frederic B. Blackburn	Takoma Park	E. W. Timberlake
Frank L. Miller	Sanford	W. L. McIver
Thomas A. Jeffries	Atlanta	S. H. Green
F. G. Mock	Nampa	H. W. Pickett
Elmer E. Beach	Raleigh, N. C.	C. P. Huffine
H. E. H. Greenleaf	Greencastle	Sam D. Bundy
Nelson Long	Hoxie	R. E. Levan
Arthur W. Riggs	Covington	J. W. Winborne
C. Marlon Hutton	Minden	F. F. Harding
George W. Haskell	Houlton	Harry W. Walker
C. Elwood Smyrk	Baltimore	Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.
Whitfield W. Johnson	Boston	Robert Lee Pugh
F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids	H. M. Brandon
Charles N. Pace	St. Paul	Lambert R. Morris
Thomas P. Pegram	Ripley	C. H. Pugh
F. Ernest Carter	Kansas City	C. H. Leavitt
John R. Lloyd	Great Falls	J. E. Shipman
John J. Wilson	Lincoln	C. A. Graham
Henry C. Nelson	Wells	J. H. Anderson
Daniel W. Cole	Hillsborough	C. Few, Jr.
John Keifer	Jersey City	Dr. Wallace E. Caldwell
Elias T. Hensley, Jr.	Portales	K. W. Parham
Walter E. Koons	New York	L. J. Bounds
Harold S. Pond	Grand Forks	Holmes M. Wagoner
Anson E. Pickrel	Marion	John B. Regan
E. T. Sabin	Enid	Herbert C. Alexander
Earl W. Snell	Salem	
John D. Nelson	Providence	
Clyde W. Stoman	Norway	
K. J. Morgan	Gettysburg	
Charles Barnham	Nashville	
	ALABAMA	(602) Rocky Mount
	ARIZONA	(668) Gastonia
	ARKANSAS	(343) Hickory
	COLORADO	(447) Enfield
	CONNECTICUT	(369) Gastonia
	DELAWARE	(674) High Point
	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	(282) Wake Forest
	FLORIDA	(151) Raleigh
	GEORGIA	(244) Monroe
	IDAHO	(210) Durham
	ILLINOIS	(543) Spencer
	INDIANA	(517) Farmville
	KANSAS	(27) Statesville
	KENTUCKY	(237) Raleigh
	LOUISIANA	(500) Raleigh
	MAINE	(630) Norlina
	MARYLAND	(32) Concord
	MASSACHUSETTS	(568) New Bern
	MICHIGAN	(289) Winston-Salem
	MINNESOTA	(109) Beaufort
	MISSISSIPPI	(369) Gastonia
	MISSOURI	(118) Asheville
	MONTANA	(387) Hendersonville
	NEBRASKA	(444) Ramseur
	NEVADA	(8) Fayetteville
	NEW HAMPSHIRE	(387) Hendersonville
	NEW JERSEY	(408) Chapel Hill
	NEW MEXICO	(500) Fort Bragg
	NEW YORK	
	NORTH DAKOTA	
	OHIO	
	OKLAHOMA	
	OREGON	(626) Kannapolis
	RHODE ISLAND	(151) Sanford
	SOUTH CAROLINA	(474) St. Pauls
	SOUTH DAKOTA	
	TENNESSEE	(31) Charlotte

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ADDRESS	GRAND LODGE	ADDRESS
W. Marcus Weatherred.....	TEXAS.....	J. T. Bundy.....
John F. Rowe.....	UTAH.....	W. J. Bundy.....
Buell W. Thrall.....	VERMONT.....	C. T. McClenaghan.....
Wm. F. Bagby.....	VIRGINIA.....	Thomas J. Harkins.....
Charles I. McJunkin.....	WASHINGTON.....	H. W. Prince.....
George S. Wynns.....	WEST VIRGINIA.....	F. M. Pinnix.....
Edgar A. Williams.....	WISCONSIN.....	H. G. Etheridge.....
		(517) Farmville
		(284) Greenville
		(218) Raleigh
		(118) Asheville
		(147) Dunn
		(122) Oxford
		(118) Asheville

# GRAND REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN GRAND LODGES

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ADDRESS	GRAND LODGE	ADDRESS
S. G. Bannan.....	ALBERTA.....	(446) Biltmore
Charles Gogler.....	ALPINA, SWITZERLAND.....	(322) Mt. Airy
	ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.....	(673) Spindale
	BOLIVIA.....	(393) Willard
John N. H. Morgan.....	BRITISH COLUMBIA.....	(167) Winston-Salem
Dr. Pedro Telmo Barba.....	AMAZONAS E ACRE, Brazil.....	(32) Concord
	CERA, BRAZIL.....	(10) Warrenton
Dr. Hermano Lott, Jr.....	MINAS GERAES, BRAZIL.....	(529) Andrews
	PARA, BRAZIL.....	(104) Washington
Joao de Cinha Lima.....	PERNAMBUCO, BRAZIL.....	(500) Raleigh
	RIO de JANEIRO, BRAZIL.....	
L. Bert Love.....	RIO GRANDE DO SUL, BRAZIL.....	(305) Laurinburg
Benedicto Prestes.....	S. PAULO, BRAZIL.....	(486) Lawndale
	BULGARIA.....	
John A. McRae.....	CANADA.....	
	CHILI.....	(282) Wake Forest
Dr. Elias Pinzon Neira.....	COLOMBIA, BOGOTA.....	(172) Jonesboro
	COLOMBIA, BARRANQUILLA.....	(283) China Grove
	COLOMBIA, CARTEGENA.....	(167) Winston-Salem
	CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.....	(344) High Point
	COSTA RICA.....	(58) Tarboro
A. Rudolph Sasso.....	CUBA.....	(104) Washington
Leovigildo Gonzalez Mesa.....	CUSCATLAN OF SALVADOR.....	(92) Stantonsburg
	ECUADOR.....	(666) Monroe
Dr. Antonia J. Ampuero.....	ENGLAND.....	(317) Elizabeth City
Charles R. I. Nicholl.....	FINLAND.....	(10) Warrenton
	GREECE.....	(118) Asheville
	G. O. NETHERLANDS.....	(1) Wilmington
G. Van Stolk.....	HONDURAS.....	(134) Mocksville
J. Jose Walter.....	Ireland.....	
J. B. McCutcheon.....	JUGOSLAVIA.....	(145) Franklin
	MANITOBA.....	(405) Morehead City
Robert Peel.....	MEXICO.....	(284) Greenville
	G. L. BEN JAUREZ OF COAHUILA.....	
Abelardo R. Velasco.....	CHIAPAS.....	(650) Asheville
F. B. Viarte.....	NUEVO LEON.....	(155) Zebulon
		(584) Apex

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ADDRESS	GRAND LODGE	ADDRESS
Luis Mendez	Guadalajara	Chas. M. Walker
Dr. Salvador Cerda, Jr.	Tampico	(19) Hillsboro
Enrique P. Loya	Mexico City	(113) Roxboro
Juck J. Zahler	Mexico City	(170) Weaverville
Angel N. Rosas	Vera Cruz	(413) Louisville
Paul Sobrino Campos	Merida	(262) Lenoir
Alex Troedsson	Copenhagen	(409) Burlington
		(289) Winston-Salem
		(112) Goldsboro
Pierre Cheret	Paris	(237) Marion
Federico Lopez	Managua	(542) Greensboro
Sam J. Parkhill	St. John	(13) Kenansville
F. C. Wade	Christchurch	(568) New Bern
		(214) Thomasville
F. E. Rice		(1) Wilmington
David Colman Dassa	Cristobal, C. Z.	(229) Henderson
		(10) Warrenton
Uda B. Moss	Lima	(650) Asheville
U. D. Lava	Dansalan	
Jose Gonzalez Ginorio	San Juan	
Lemuel Winchester	Charlottetown	(674) High Point
J. D. McFadyen	Stanstead	(117) Wilson
Harry Vickers	Brisbane	(598) Elk Park
Edmundo Osborn	Guatemala	(543) Salisbury
A. M. Bell	Adanac	(576) Henderson
Herbert D. Bell	Meiose	(229) Henderson
J. A. Robertson	Adelaide	(1) Wilmington
Carl Frdk Cassel	Stockholm	(218) Raleigh
A. J. Fulton	Hobart	(151) Sanford
Santiago Travello	Montevideo	(530) Charlotte
		(496) Mooresville
Geo. J. A. Cole	Bairnsdale	(40) Raleigh
David R. Cargill	Mount Lawley	(552) Greensboro
		(40) Raleigh



LOGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA, WITH NAMES OF SECRETARIES AND MASTERS, AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES, THE MASONIC DISTRICT IN WHICH LOGES ARE SITUATED BEING INDICATED BY NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES—(1947)

NUMBER, NAME DISTRICT	POST OFFICE	DAY OF MEETING	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS <i>Post Office Addresses of Officers Are Same As That of Their Lodges, As Shown in Column Two, UNLESS Different Address Is Shown Here</i>	MASTER AND ADDRESS
1 St. John's (10)	Wilmington	2 Tuesday	Chas. B. Newcomb, Box 653	James K. Davls, Box 1062
2 Royal White Hart (4)	Halifax	1 and 3 Wednesday	J. A. Dickens	R. H. Wright
3 St. John's (7)	New Bern	2 and 4 Wednesday	A. A. Kafer, Jr., Box 388	R. R. White, 615 Middle St.
4 St. John's (6)	Kinston	2 and 4 Monday	Troy E. Foscoe, Box 210	J. E. Paradis, Box 172
5 Charity (2)	Windsor	1 and 3 Monday	B. E. Grant, Box 278	A. J. Yates
7 Unanimity (2)	Edenton	Every Thursday	J. Edwin Buflap, Box 165	W. O. Elliott, 102 Blount St.
8 Phoenix (14)	Payetteville	2 Friday	Johannie B. Jones	Frank McBryde
10 Johnston-Caswell (19)	Warrenton	1 and 3 Monday	810 Branson St.	805 Greenland Drive
11 Caswell Broth. (21)	Yanceyville	1 and 3 Monday	Paul W. Cooper, Box 537	Joseph N. Ellis
13 St. John's (9)	Kenansville	1 and 3 Thursday	W. H. Hicks, Box 14	D. J. Merritt, Rt. 1
17 American George (4)	Murfreesboro	1 and 3 Monday	Owen P. Johnson	Early C. Newton
19 Eagle (21)	Hillsboro	2 and 4 Friday	L. F. Tucker, Box 5304	M. E. Whitehead
27 Statesville (29)	Statesville	1 and 3 Tuesday	Chas. M. Walker	Chas. B. Parris
31 Phalanx (27)	Charlotte	3 Tuesday	Ben L. Watts, Box 171	A. H. Peoples, Stearns Bldg.
32 Stokes (25)	Concord	1 Monday	F. Wm. E. Cullingford, Box 122	Paul B. Eby
39 Davie (2)	Lewiston	1 and 3 Thursday	L. E. Yerton, Box 1068	4321 Commonwealth Ave.
40 Hiram (15)	Raleigh	1 and 3 Monday	Garvey Bazemore, Box J	E. E. Duckett, 64 E. Depot St.
45 Liberty (33)	Wilkesboro	1 and 3 Thursday	S. M. Young, 206 E. Martin St.	A. M. Joyner, Woodville
53 Hall (1)	Indiantown	1 Wednesday	Chas. H. Lenderman,	Burt W. Kenyon, Jr.,
56 King Solomon (4)	Jackson	1 Tuesday	1111 Hinshaw St.	J-2, Raleigh Apts.
58 Concord (18)	Tarboro	2 and 4 Tuesday	N. Wilkesboro	
59 Perseverance (3)	Plymouth	Every Tuesday	Willie H. Burgess, Old Trap	J. J. Sanders, N. Wilkesboro
64 Kilwinning (26)	Wadesboro	2 and 4 Thursday	Harvey D. Hart	L. L. Sanderlin, Shawboro
75 Widow's Son (1)	Camden	2 and 4 Friday	Dr. J. P. Keech	Ballard S. Gay
76 Greensboro (23)	Greensboro	2 and 4 Thursday	110 W. Church St.	M. A. Moore, 301 Main St.
81 Zion (7)	Trenton	1 and 3 Thursday	John W. Darden	Walter S. Bowen, E. F. D.
83 LaFayette (10)	Jacksonville	1 and 3 Tuesday	Harold L. Jones, Box 183	B. T. Hill
84 Fellowship (14)	Smithfield	1 and 3 Thursday	S. B. Seymour, Rt. 1, Belcross	W. A. Games, Rt. 1, Belcross
			F. J. Sorell, Box 825	J. O. Downs
			V. L. Pollock	216 W. Avondale St.
			E. B. Smith, Box 691	Rom W. Mallard
			N. W. Jones, 604 S. 5th St.	Earl D. Knauff, Box 449
				S. H. Stallings, 737 S. 4th St.

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85 Morning Star (18)	Nashville	2 and 4 Tuesday	J. K. Bridgers, Box 85	L. E. Matthews, Box 147
90 Skewarkee (2)	Williamston	2 and 4 Tuesday	J. Carr Anderson,	Geo. H. Harrison, Jr., Box 466
91 Western Star (44)	Rutherfordton	1 and 3 Tuesday after 1 and 3 Monday	509 Warren St.	W. J. Stallings
92 Joseph Warren (17)	Stantonsburg	1 and 3 Thursday	W. O. Geer, Box 551	M. A. Tyson, Jr.
95 Jerusalem (6)	Hookerton	2 Tuesday	L. A. Gardner, Saratoga	Chas. E. Vause
97 Millbrook (15)	Millbrook	Tues. after 1 and 3 Sun.	Charlie D. Coston, Box 16	Wm. A. Bailey, Rt. 1, Raleigh
98 Hiram (9)	Clinton	1 and 3 Tuesday	Geo. W. White, Rt. 1, Raleigh	Howard T. Wells,, Nicholson St.
99 Fulton (25)	Salisbury	Every Friday	Norwood P. Parker, Box 21	E. M. Kendrick, Rt. 2, Box 37
102 Columbus (13)	Pittsboro	1 Tuesday	T. W. Summerset, Jr., Box 547	Cecil H. Lindley
104 Orr (3)	Washington	1 and 3 Tuesday	J. Shirley Waters	Guy T. Swindell
106 Perquimans (1)	Hertford	Every Tuesday	Millard F. McKeel, Box 505	Cecil C. Winslow
109 Franklin (7)	Beaufort	1 and 3 Monday	J. S. Vick, Box 133	John Elbert Dudley
112 Wayne (6)	Goldsboro	1 and 3 Monday	Dr. W. L. Woodard	Leon B. Jackson, Box 91
113 Person (20)	Roxboro	2 and 4 Tuesday	Lester H. Gillikin, Box 275	A. H. Rimmer
114 St. Alban's (11)	Lumberton	1 Tuesday	C. A. Harris, Lamar St.	George R. Bennett, Box 481
115 Holly Springs (16)	Holly Springs	Tuesday after 2 Sun.	Evans M. Gibson, Box 904	Harold G. Stephens
117 Mt. Lebanon (17)	Wilson	1 and 3 Monday	Ralph C. Stephens,	C. E. Pittman, % Nat. Bank
118 Mt. Hermon (39)	Asheville	1 Thursday	Box 826, Raleigh	C. O. Deas, 89 King St.
122 Oxford (20)	Oxford	1 and 3 Monday	Ed. W. Davis, Box 1305	A. S. Harris, 507 Hancock St.
123 Franklin (19)	Franklinton	1 and 3 Tuesday and last Saturday	Reuben Barnitz, Mas. Temple	J. J. Collins
125 Mill Creek (9)	Newton-Grove	1 Friday and Thurs. before 3 Sunday	E. T. Regan	D. H. Jernigan, Rt. 3, Mt. Olive
126 Gatesville (1)	Gatesville	1 and 3 Thursday	W. M. Sandling	J. Graham Pollock
127 Blackmer (24)	Mt. Gilead	1 Tuesday	Luby Denning, Rt. 1	Max R. Marris, Troy
128 Hanks (24)	Franklinville	3 Saturday	P. L. Hoyer, Box 82	T. J. Kivett, Rt. 1
129 Dan River (23)	Madison	1 and 3 Monday	C. T. Haywood, Box 206	T. A. Mashburn, Box 511
132 Radiance (6)	Snow Hill	1 Friday	H. V. Phillips	Jamie H. Exum
134 Mocksville (30)	Mocksville	1 and 3 Fri., June 24 and Dec. 27	Robert J. Liewellyn, Box 167	Rufus B. Sanford, Jr.
136 Leaksville (23)	Leaksville	1 and 3 Monday	K. A. Pitman	E. W. Norris, Box 397, Spray
137 Lincoln (28)	Lincolnton	1 Monday	Chas. S. Anderson	M. H. Kuhn, Box 63
138 King Solomon (10)	Burgaw	2 Friday	Bennet Nooe, Box 701	J. R. Lewis
			Frank P. Heavner	
			T. T. Murphy, Box 98	

143 Mt. Vernon (13)	Bonlee	Sat. before 2 Sun. Thurs. before 4 Sun.	C. M. Andrews	C. E. Paschal
145 Junaluskee (42)	Franklin	1 and 3 Tuesday	C. H. Bolton, Box 367	G. L. Houk
146 Cherokee (43)	Murphy	1 Monday	J. C. Hembree, 121 Tenn. St.	James H. Duncan, Box 283
147 Palmyra (14)	Dunn	1 and 3 Tuesday	Chas. R. Storey, Box 125	Willie Morf
149 Adoniram (20)	Cornwall	Saturday before 4 Sunday	J. J. Moore, Rt. 1, Nelson, Va.	G. W. Hart, Rt. 2, Virgilina, Va.
150 Pee Dee (25)	Norwood	1 and 3 Thursday	Jeter L. Lee, Box 202	Hubert J. Lentz, Box 212
151 Sanford (13)	Sanford	2 and 4 Tuesday	W. B. Burroughs, Box 94	G. W. Anderson, Jr., Rt. 4
154 Scotch-Ireland (25)	Cleveland	Fri. before 2 and 4 Sunday	Harold Wetmore, Rt. 1, Woodleaf	W. R. Byford, Elmwood
155 White Stone (15)	Wakefield	4 Sat. at Noon and 2 Wed.	W. O. King, Zebulon, Rt. 4	G. L. Richardson, Zebulon
158 Knap of Reeds (21)	Bahama	Wed. after 3 Sun.	Thomas M. Vick, Jr.	W. H. Cherry, Box 146, Durham
162 Yaddin (30)	Yaddinville	1 and 3 Monday	F. D. Harding	Paul Warden
165 Archer (15)	Clayton, R.F.D.	1 Sat. 1:00 p. m.	L. T. Davis, Rt. 1, Zebulon	B. W. Hinnant, Rt. 1, Wendell
167 Winston (30)	Winston-Salem	2 Monday	R. L. Heckard, Box 1221	C. C. Cash, Box 2435
170 Blackmer (39)	Weaverville	1 Tues. and Dec. 27	Stanley L. West	Alonzo M. Deitz
171 Colerain (2)	Colerain	Thurs. after 2 and 4 Sun.	W. E. White	Dr. C. S. Credle, Box 98
172 Buffalo (13)	Jonesboro	1 and 3 Monday	E. B. Watson, Box 182	R. N. Watson
174 Geo. Washington (16)	Apex, R.F.D. 1	Sat. before 4 Sun.	R. W. Seymour, Rt. 2	I. H. Webster, Rt. 2
176 Mecklenburg (27)	Davidson	1 and 3 Tuesday	Dr. F. K. Fleagle, Box 57	Irvin H. Murrell
181 Carthage (13)	Carthage	1 and 3 Tuesday	S. W. Shields, Box 96	E. E. Hough
187 Central Cross (18)	Hunts	2 Saturday 2 p. m., 4 Monday 8 p. m.	Major W. Edwards, Rt. 2, Spring Hope	G. C. Lassiter, Spring Hope
188 Balfour (24)	Asheboro	1 and 3 Monday	W. I. Burrows, 123 Elm St.	J. B. Kivett, 831 Powtan St.
190 Fair Bluff (10)	Fair Bluff	2 and 4 Thursday	S. C. Scott, Jr.	J. L. Minton
191 Granite (15)	Clayton	2 and 4 Tuesday	P. A. Williams	John M. Hinton
198 Cary (16)	Cary	1 and 3 Monday	C. L. Beddingfield, Box 147	Henry R. Adams
202 Cleveland (37)	Shelby	1 Friday	R. G. Laughridge, Box 247	James E. Lutz, Box 1298
203 Roanoke (4)	Weldon	1 Tuesday	U. Bixby Pierce	Shockley D. Knight
205 Long Creek (27)	Huntersville	2 and 4 Saturday	Wm. F. Caldwell, Box 340, Charlotte	A. R. Henderson, RFD
206 Mingo (9)	Dunn, R.F.D.	3 Friday	T. A. Hair, Rt. 5	Marvin Jackson, Roseboro, RFD
207 Lebanon (10)	Whiteville	1 and 3 Friday	Jack Hayes, 411 S. Franklin St.	W. Z. Horne, E. Columbus St.
208 Mt. Olive (6)	Mt. Olive	1 and 3 Tuesday	Paul R. Patten	Ernest R. Taylor
210 Eno (21)	Durham	1 and 3 Tuesday	O. M. Brown,	R. E. Newton,
214 Thomasville (23)	Thomasville	1 and 3 Friday	2 Glenn Apts., Dacian Ave.	2609 Hillsboro Road
217 Catawba Valley (36)	Morganton	2 Thursday	J. F. Garner, Box 601	H. G. Dickens
218 Wm. G. Hill (16)	Raleigh	2 and 4 Monday	J. E. Cox, Box 535	John R. B. Hawes, 106 Edgewood Ave.
			C. T. McClenaghan, 408 Masonic Temple	Shepherd D. Storey, C-1 Wilmont Apts.

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226 Wilson (29)	Olin	Saturday before 4 Sunday	D. E. White, Rt. 2, Statesville	L. G. White, Rt. 2, Statesville
229 Henderson (19)	Henderson	1 and 3 Tuesday	Henry T. Powell, Box 666	J. A. Hornaday
230 Corinthian (18)	Rocky Mount	2 and 4 Thursday	J. B. Melvin, Box 1305	H. A. Stotesbury
231 Wm. T. Bain (16)	McCullers	Wed. after 3 Sunday	Josephus Johnson, Rt. 1, Willow Springs	1231 W. Thomas St. T. Glenn Ogburn, Rt. 1, Willow Springs
233 Lenoir (6)	La Grange	1 and 3 Thursday	L. R. Britt, Box "D"	Wade H. Ferguson
237 Mystic Tie (44)	Marion	1 and 3 Friday	W. R. Burtleson, Rt. 2, Box 4A	John T. Jolley, Box 23
240 Wicacan (2)	Harrellsville	Thursday before 2 and 4 Sunday	G. O. O'Berry, Box 100	John M. Lowe
243 Grifton (5)	Grifton	1 Wednesday	J. W. Gilbert, Rt. 2, Box 56	Roy L. Jackson
244 Monroe (26)	Monroe	1 and 3 Thursday	J. E. Stewart, 616 Lancaster Ave.	Edward G. Faulkner, 209 Raymond St.
248 Catawba (36)	Newton	1 Friday	Boyce Harwell, 212 S. College Ave.	C. E. Hood, R. F. D.
249 Pythagoras (10)	Southport	3 Tuesday	William McDowell, Box 295	Robert F. Plaxco, Box 798
253 Lee (29)	Taylorsville	Fri. before 2 and 4 Sun.	Chas. E. Echerd, Box 276	Gordon C. Elledge
257 Kenly (17)	Kenly	Tuesday after 2 and 4 Sun.	H. M. Grizzard, Jr., Box 38	James G. Boyette
258 Fuquay (16)	Fuquay Springs	Tues. after 1 and 3 Sun.	W. G. Farabow, Box 385	W. L. Lee, Rt. 1
259 Waynesville (41)	Waynesville	1 Friday	Claude B. Hosaflook, Box 74	Robert C. McBride
261 Excelsior (27)	Charlotte	1 and 3 Monday	B. W. Barnett, Box 761	J. G. Johnston, Rt. 1, Box 477
262 Hibriten (36)	Lenoir	1 Thursday	J. E. Shell, Box 672	A. J. Noles
263 Gaston (28)	Dallas	2 Monday	Jas. L. Durham, Box 182	Brooks Pasour
265 Farmington (30)	Farmington	2 Friday	C. F. Bahnson, Cooleemee	G. A. Hartman, Mocksville
267 Dunn's Rock (38)	Brevard	2 and 4 Thursday	Henry R. Henderson, Box 563	Claud Stroup, Rosman
271 Tobasco (23)	Gibsonville	2 Friday	T. J. Hoffman, Box 282	N. N. Brown
272 Bingham (21)	Mebane	3 Monday	Rev. W. M. Baker, Box 446	Geo. D. McAdams, Rt.
276 Beaver Dam (26)	Marshville	Tuesday before 1 Sun.	J. A. Russell, Box 21	J. D. Lowery, Jr.
277 Green Level (16)	Apex, R. F. D. 3	Saturday before 1 Sun.	B. C. Ferrell, Box 3	J. R. Yates, Rt. 3
279 Rehoboth (9)	Rosehill	Fri. before 2 and 4 Sun.	Arthur L. Ward, Box 14	W. H. Taylor, Magnolia
282 Wake Forest (15)	Wake Forest	2 and 4 Tuesday	R. H. Branson, Box 888	Samuel Sidenberg
283 Eureka (25)	China Grove	1 and 3 Monday	H. H. Hilton, Jr., RFD 2	Carl L. Basinger
284 Greenville (5)	Greenville	1 and 3 Monday	Archibald R. House, 409 E. 10th St.	Linda F. Stokes, Box 912
289 Salem (30)	Winston-Salem	1 Tuesday	Chas. S. Kimmel, Box 72, Salem Station	R. E. Denny, 323 W. 28th St.

292 French Broad (39)	Marshall	1 Monday	E. N. Holcombe, Box 393	J. J. Bailey, Rt. 1, Asheville
293 Vance (39)	Stocksville	Sat. on or before the full moon	Raymond L. Farmer, 17 Melrose Ave., Asheville	Cecil B. McElroy
294 Atlantic (3)	Swan Quarter	1 and 3 Thursday	Geo. T. Davis, Box 558	William I. Cochran
296 Stonewall (5)	Robersonville	1 and 3 Monday	Earl M. Coburn	John A. Warren
299 Harmony (29)	Harmony	1 and 3 Saturday	Jas. H. Mullis	J. V. Robertson, Union Grove
300 Aurora (3)	Aurora	2 and 4 Monday	William A. Magee, Jr., Box 125	Elbert H. Bennett, Edward
301 Clay (43)	Hayesville	3 Friday	James O. Moore, Box 114	Andrew F. Padgett
302 Lillington (14)	Lillington	Each Monday	Andrew R. Jackson, Box 183	Cad G. Collins, R.F. D. 3
304 Pleasant Hill (6)	Pink Hill	2 and 4 Thursday	Roger M. Inman, Box 551	Dr. H. A. Edwards, Box 60
305 Laurinburg (12)	Laurinburg	1 Tuesday	W. C. Lassiter, Box 643	W. G. Butler, 112 McRae St.
306 Raeford (12)	Raeford	2 and 4 Tuesday	Lacy F. Clark	Marcus C. Dew, Box 35
314 New Lebanon (1)	South Mills	1 Friday	J. W. Jones, Box 118	I. A. Burnham, Rt. 1
317 Eureka (1)	Elizabeth City	Every Tuesday	Wilbourne M. Smith, Box 386	Paul A. Penny, Box 87
319 Wilmington (10)	Wilmington	3 Tuesday	Louis V. Swann	Wm. H. Collins, 207 N. 23rd St.
320 Selma (17)	Selma	1 and 3 Tuesday	215 Brookwood Ave.	W. T. Woodard, Jr., Green St.
322 Granite (31)	Mount Airy	3 Tu., June 24 and Dec. 27	R. H. Griffin, Box "G"	Jas. B. Combs, Snyder Apts.
328 Mattamuskeet (3)	Engelhard	2 and 4 Wednesday	J. C. Hill, Box 70	Alfred J. Schmitt
331 Payboro (7)	Bayboro	2 and 4 Tuesday	Edward R. Clarke	A. L. Bennett, Grantsboro
339 Fairview (37)	Kings Mountain	1 Monday	J. L. Scott, Grantsboro	P. F. Dilling, 100 N. Piedmont
340 Harmony (6)	Pikeville	2 and 4 Thursday	J. C. Bridges, 513 W. Gold St.	C. U. Sasser, Rt. 2, Goldsboro
343 Hickory (36)	Hickory	1 and 3 Monday	C. S. Hinnant, Rt. 2	L. D. Mitchell, 1240 Gov. Ave.
344 Numa F. Reid (23)	High Point	2 Monday	D. L. Miller, Box 451	Leonard F. Honeycutt, 607 Woodrow Ave.
348 Stanley (25)	Albemarle	1 and 3 Friday	Dwight Stokes, 117 S. 3rd St.	J. R. Austin, 250 N. 4th St.
352 Durham (21)	Durham	2 and 4 Tuesday	H. M. Brown, Box 1365	D. W. Griffin, Box 1439
356 Fallston (37)	Fallston	2 Monday	J. C. Wright	Hubert H. Smith
357 Bakersville (40)	Bakersville	Sat. before 1 Mon., and 3 Thursday	Howard Wilson	Fred G. Brummitt
358 East LaPorte (42)	East LaPorte	1 and 3 Saturday	Glenn L. Hughes, Box 147, Sylva	Thos. E. Norton, Tuckasegee
359 Mt. Vernon (7)	Oriental	1 and 3 Friday	J. L. Dixon	C. E. Bray, Sr., Merritt
363 Snow (40)	Boone	1 and 3 Friday	J. E. Clay, 409 Greene St.	Dean B. Bingham
369 Gastonia (28)	Gastonia	2 Friday	D. C. McSwain, 309 Hanna St.	F. C. Tucker, 106 E. 4th St.
373 Ashler (33)	Deep Gap	2 Friday	E. R. Mikeal, Box 21, Todd	A. C. Moretz
374 Campbell (29)	Troutman	2 and 4 Wednesday	L. Q. Powell	C. L. Maboeuf, Rt. 1, Statesville
375 State Line (37)	Grover	Wed. on or before full Moon	B. F. Bird	Alfred F. Collins
377 Youngsville (19)	Youngsville	Fri. before 1 and 3 Sun.	S. E. Winston, Box 86	C. E. Jeffreys
378 Seaboard (4)	Seaboard	1 Monday	James R. Bradley, Box 11	H. C. Bottoms
379 Coharie (9)	Salemburg	1 and 3 Friday	James M. Royal, Box 96	Margarettsville
380 Granville (20)	Wake Forest, Rt. 3	4 Saturday 2:00 p. m.	S. M. Bailey, Rt. 3	John R. Royal
				J. R. Davis, Rt. 3



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381 Forest City (44)	Forest City	2 and 4 Tuesday	Geo. C. Callison, 10 Magnolia St.	F. I. Barber, 428 E. Main St.
384 Reidsville (23)	Reidsville	1 and 3 Tuesday	E. L. Somers, Box 998	C. L. Hall, 15 Acme St.
386 Pigeon River (41)	Canton	2 Thursday	Norman G. Williams, Box 788	J. D. Mackey, Box 1148
387 Kedron (38)	Hendersonville	1 and 3 Thursday	D. B. Hart, Box 66	William M. Shepherd
388 Mooresboro (37)	Mooresboro	Friday before 4 Sunday	J. P. McSwain, Rt. 1	Col. T. C. Holland, Rt. 1
390 Copeland (31)	Copeland	2 Thursday	J. H. Collins, Rockford	J. E. Stanley, Rockford
391 Lebanon (14)	Hope Mills	1 and 3 Wednesday	N. J. Herring, Box 33, Cumberland	E. M. Honeycutt
393 Tally Ho (20)	Stem	1 Saturday and 2 Mon	F. C. Wilkins, Rt. 1	L. D. Franklin
395 Orient (10)	Wilmington	1 Thursday	W. H. McClain, Box 791	Cecil W. Henderson, 124 Lake Forest Parkway
397 Bald Creek (39)	Swiss	1 Sat. after full moon	Albert Ponder, Box 185, Mars Hill	Edgar J. Ball, Rt. 2, Mars Hill
401 Joppa (44)	Old Fort	2 and 4 Friday	S. F. Mauney, Box 73	Rev. R. L. Smith, Glenwood
403 Siler City (13)	Siler City	Fri. before 1 and 3 Sun.	E. E. Brooks, Box 464	Walter R. Brewer, Box 248
404 Denton (23)	Denton	1 Friday	Wesley P. Morris	Baxter Carter
405 Ocean (7)	Morehead City	2 and 4 Tuesday	H. L. Joslyn	Guy Dixon
407 N. Wilkesboro (35)	N. Wilkesboro	2 and 4 Friday	Frank H. Crow, Box 485	Maurice E. Walsh
408 University (21)	Chapel Hill	1 and 3 Monday	Thera E. Hinson, Box 937	Henry I. West, Cameron Ave.
409 Bula (21)	Burlington	2 and 4 Monday	W. L. Burke, Box 336	R. D. Anthony, 904 S. Main St.
411 Bailey (17)	Bailey	2 and 4 Monday	Leamon Tapp, Box 62	Rev. Ivey T. Poole
412 Hen. F. Grainger (20)	Oxford, Rt. 3	Sat. before 2 Sun.	C. P. O'Brien, Rt. 5	O. L. Harrison, Rt. 5
413 Louisville (19)	Louisburg	1 and 3 Tuesday	G. O. Kennedy, Box 135	James Speed, Rt. 2
417 Maxton (11)	Maxton	1 Monday	C. H. Whitlock, Box 192	C. A. Hasty
418 Potocasi (4)	Potocasi	Friday before 2 Sunday 7:30 p. m., and Saturday before 4 Sun. 2:30 p. m.	Clayton W. Beale, Woodland	Grady W. Parker, Woodland
420 Harmon (30)	Yadkinville	1 and 3 Saturday	Jack Barnes, R.F. D. 2	H. N. Todd
423 Sparta (34)	Sparta	1 and 3 Thursday	R. C. Gentry, Glade Valley	Clifton Evans
426 Montgomery (43)	Ranger	2 Saturday	W. D. Simpson, Oak Park	R. L. Keenum, Sult
427 Oconee (42)	Bryson City	1 and 3 Monday	E. C. Gibson	Warren L. Lathan
428 Stokesdale (23)	Stokesdale	1 and 3 Tuesday	S. E. Adcock	P. P. Simpson
429 Sea Side (10)	Swansboro	1 Fri. and 3 Saturday	Noland R. Matlocks, 251 N. Butler Dr., Midway Park	Marvin E. Ransom, 1066 S. Butler Dr., Mid. Pk.
431 Relief (14)	Benson	1 Friday	Julian Godwin, Box 115	Hiram Rose, Box 8
432 Piney Creek (34)	Piney Creek	2 Sat. and Friday before 4 Saturday 2:00 P. M.	E. C. Minnich	J. T. Finney, Sparta



433 Vanceboro (7)	Vanceboro	2 and 4 Wednesday	Harvey D. McLawhorn	Claudius F. Jordan
434 West Bend (30)	Lewisville	1 and 3 Friday	C. M. Lasley, Rt. 1, Clemmons	Paul M. Jennings
435 Blue Ridge (42)	Highlands	1 and 3 Friday	J. E. Potts, Box 454	Samuel E. Potts, Box 443
437 Biscoe (24)	Biscoe	2 and last Friday	N. W. Freeman, Box 360	C. N. Eckerson, Troy
439 Marble Springs (43)	Marble	Sat. night on or before full moon	Ralph Kilpatrick	Victor Raxter
444 Marietta (24)	Ramseur	2 Friday	A. W. Craven	W. H. Montgomery
446 Biltmore (38)	Asheville	Each Tuesday	Alfred J. Creasman, 4 Lynmar Ave.	Raphael M. Rice, Oteen
447 Enfield (4)	Enfield	1 and 3 Monday	C. M. Hodgkin, Box 314	John W. McGwigan
453 Clyde (41)	Clyde	2 Tuesday	Edwin Fincher	Harry Cathey, Rt. 2, Waynesville
454 Elkin (31)	Elkin	2 and 4 Tuesday	J. F. Amburn, 227 N. Bridge St.	G. C. Green, 207 W. Main St.
459 Dillsboro (42)	Dillsboro	1 and 3 Thursday	R. F. Jarrett	E. A. Bumgarner, Rt. 2, Whittier
460 Cliffsides (44)	Cliffsides	Mon. after 2 and 4 Sun.	Richard L. Sevier, Box 201	John A. Talbert, Box 205
461 Matthews (27)	Matthews	2 and 4 Thursday	J. W. Russell, Box 234	A. J. Benton, Indian Trail
462 Southern Fork (28)	Cramerton	2 and 4 Tuesday	A. A. Fisher, Box 52	W. Reid Howe, 225 10th St.
463 Currituck (1)	Coinjock	2 Monday	Sam McHorney, Jr., Box 56, Grandy	J. L. Brown, Box 26, Grandy
471 Grassy Knob (29)	Union Grove	Fri. before 4 Sunday	C. L. Comer	H. C. Sprinkle, Rt. 5, Statesville
472 Sonoma (41)	Canton, Rt. 2	1 Thursday	J. Edwin Justice, Rt. 3	Claude M. Deaver, Rt. 2
473 Lexington (23)	Lexington	2 and 4 Friday	D. W. McCulloch, Box 351	E. E. Morgan, % Coble Dairy Products
474 St. Pauls (11)	St. Pauls	1 Tuesday	D. C. McEachern, Box 475	E. G. Pophal
475 Grimesland (5)	Grimesland	1 and 3 Tuesday	G. C. Elks	C. T. Singleton, Rt. 4, Washington
479 Rainbow (7)	Arapahoe	2 Sat. and 4 Wed.	Rufus M. Banks, Box 66	Lester M. Roberts
482 Saluda (38)	Saluda	2 and 4 Tuesday	John T. Coates, Jr., Box 97	D. R. Fisher, Box 102
483 Traphill (33)	Traphill	4 Thursday	D. B. Swearingen, Sr.	D. B. Swearingen, Jr.
484 Southern Pines (12)	Southern Pines	1 and 3 Monday	Lloyd L. Woolley, Box 748	James W. Causey
486 Lawndale (37)	Lawndale	4 Friday	Fred L. Richards, Box 25	Worth W. Lattimore, Rt. 3
488 Rich Square (4)	Rich Square	2 and 4 Thursday	Roy T. Joyner, Rt. 1	J. Buxton Weaver
489 Linville (40)	Newland	2 and 4 Thursday	Carl C. Scott, Box 122	Roger S. Franklin, Pineola
491 Hominy (39)	Candler	1 Wednesday	W. A. Robbins, R.F.D. 1	F. G. Cabe, R.F.D. 2
492 Thos. M. Holt (21)	Graham	1 Fri. and 3 Sat.	C. A. Cates, Rt. 1	Layton H. Gunter
493 Pilot (31)	Pilot Mountain	1 and 3 Friday	J. P. Fulk, Box 66	R. C. Boaz
495 Rockingham (12)	Rockingham	1 and 3 Monday	W. L. Allen, Box 25	W. L. Adcock, E. Rockingham
496 Mooresville (29)	Mooresville	2 and 4 Tuesday	Clark W. Murff, 109 W. Wilson Ave.	Troy A. Reid, 1 Cascade St.
497 Royal Hart (4)	Littletton	2 and 4 Monday	P. A. Harris	A. G. Willcox, R.F.D.
498 Ayden (5)	Ayden	3 Tuesday	W. B. Phillips, Box 212	W. C. Ormond, Box 455

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499 Creedmoor (20)-----	Creedmoor-----	Mon. after 2 and 4 Sun.	William S. Hobgood-----	Leon B. Perkinson-----
500 Raleigh (15)-----	Raleigh-----	1 and 3 Friday-----	Jas. W. Kellogg, Box 711-----	LeRoy A. Lanier, Box 709-----
501 Red Springs (11)-----	Red Springs-----	2 and 4 Thursday-----	Gunnar C. Lang, Box 24-----	Sanford C. Love, S. Main St.
502 Cookville (36)-----	Near Henry-----	1 Tues. 7:30 p.m. and St. John's Day 10:00 a.m.	Fred L. Phillips, Rt. 1, Newton	W. A. Rhoney, Rt. 3, Vale
505 Cherryville (28)-----	Cherryville-----	1 Monday-----	G. S. Falls, 205 N. Jacob St.	D. P. Dellinger, 106 E. Main St.
506 Unaka (43)-----	Unaka-----	Sat. before full moon-----	Herman H. Jones-----	Fred Graves-----
509 Belhaven (3)-----	Belhaven-----	1 and 2 Tuesday-----	G. A. Thomas, Box 11-----	M. G. Stowe, Ponzer
515 Whetstone (28)-----	Bessemer City-----	4 Tuesday-----	Walter L. Whitely, Box 53-----	Edgar E. Wright-----
516 Aulander (2)-----	Aulander-----	1 and 3 Thursday-----	T. H. Griffith, Box 81-----	R. L. Wilson-----
517 Farmville (5)-----	Farmville-----	2 and 4 Thursday-----	Claude C. Joyner,----- 206 S. Main St.	L. P. Thomas, 114 W. Lang St
519 Widow's Son (4)-----	Roanoke Rapids-----	2 and 4 Thursday-----	Lewis B. Jones,----- Apt. No. 1, McCrory Bldg.	James B. Hutchinson,----- 785 William St.
520 Fairfield (3)-----	Fairfield-----	1 and 3 Tuesday-----	R. L. Jones-----	C. B. O'Neal, Swan Quarter
521 Wanchese (1)-----	Wanchese-----	1 and 3 Thursday-----	R. H. Atkinson,----- Box, 222, Manteo	R. I. Leake, Manteo-----
524 Pendleton (4)-----	Pendleton-----	2 and 4 Tuesday-----	J. J. Brothers, Conway-----	J. R. Woodard, Conway
525 Rodgers (17)-----	Middlesex-----	2 Sat. 10:30 a. m. and 4 Mon. 7:00 p. m.	Jesse J. Kemp, Rt. 1-----	John D. Daniel-----
527 Lucama (17)-----	Lucama-----	Thurs. before----- 2 and 4 Sun.	C. C. Lucus, Box 63-----	E. C. Mercer-----
528 Fairmont (11)-----	Fairmont-----	1 Monday-----	J. B. Clark, 147 Walnut St.	J. A. Small, R.F.D.
529 Andrews (43)-----	Andrews-----	1 Monday-----	Galusha Pullum-----	Dillie B. Lunsford-----
530 Joppa (27)-----	Charlotte-----	1 Friday-----	A. W. Cunningham,----- Box 534, Zone 1	W. P. Pike,----- 2413 Kenmore Ave. (4)
532 Hamlet (12)-----	Hamlet-----	1 and 4 Friday-----	E. B. Gunter, Box 528-----	C. L. Odom, 703 Spring St.
534 Camp Call (37)-----	Shelby, Rt. 5-----	3 Saturday-----	Geo. W. Lee, Box 29, Polkville	C. H. Drye, Polkville-----
535 Hollis (44)-----	Hollis-----	Saturday before 4 Sun.	B. Blanton, Rt. 1, Ellenboro-----	Clay Blanton, Rt. 1, Ellenboro
538 Williams (27)-----	Cornellus-----	2 and 4 Friday-----	J. E. Washam-----	Julian Thompson-----
542 Corinthian (23)-----	Greensboro-----	2 and 4 Monday-----	Emory C. Fox, Box 1006-----	F. B. Gray, 812 Douglass St.
543 Spencer (25)-----	Spencer-----	2 and 4 Tuesday-----	J. E. Connell, Box 366-----	Tate Baggett, 900 Southern St.
544 Mount Holly (28)-----	Mount Holly-----	1 and 3 Monday-----	E. L. Norwood, Box 338-----	East Spencer, N. C.
550 Roman Eagle (12)-----	Aberdeen-----	1 and 3 Thursday-----	C. J. Towless, Box 7-----	J. E. Balles-----
551 Glenville (42)-----	Glenville-----	Saturday before full moon 2:00 p. m.	Ralph T. Breedlove-----	J. Earl Parker-----
				Clayborn Bryson-----

552	Revolution (23)	Greensboro	1 and 3 Wednesday	W. M. Inman, 1209 Summit Ave.	E. M. Westbrook, 1221 Fairview St.
554	Vesper (40)	Spruce Pine	1 and 3 Thursday	W. L. McNeill, Box 323	Ted R. Braswell, Box 307
555	Elise (13)	Robbins	1 and 3 Tuesday	G. E. Walker	James F. Steed, Box 187
556	Neil S. Stuart (14)	Erwin	2 and 4 Tuesday	E. G. Purcell	Carl L. Byrd
558	Ararat (31)	Ararat	2 Fri., June 24 and Dec. 27	F. E. Bryant	H. D. Beck, Rt. 2, Pilot Mt.
561	Swannanoa (38)	Swannanoa	1 Thursday	W. L. Patton	Harold Collins, Box 3
562	Waxhaw (26)	Waxhaw	1 Tuesday	Roger B. DuVall, Box 96	Rev. E. V. Wiley
563	Tabor (10)	Tabor City	Tuesday before 3 Sun.	Rutherford T. Bruton, Box 66	V. R. Burroughs, Lewis St.
564	Richlands (7)	Richlands	1 Thursday	Jonathan E. Steed, Jr.	Dudley G. Shaw
565	Wendell (15)	Wendell	2 and 4 Tuesday	J. T. Allen	L. R. Clark
568	Doric (7)	New Bern	2 and 4 Friday	Alfred H. Bremer, Box 703	H. W. Gillikin, 614 Middle St.
569	Mt. Pleasant (17)	Bailey, R.F.D. 1	4 Saturday 2:30 p.m.	T. A. Griffin, R.F.D. 1	Rodney A. Finch, Rt. 1
571	Snow Creek (29)	Statesville, Rt. 5	1 and 3 Saturday	D. N. McLelland, Rt. 2	G. L. McLelland, Rt. 2
573	Mt. Pleasant (33)	Champion	Saturday before 3 Sun.	Chas. W. Proffitt, Wilkesboro	L. G. Triplett, Buck
576	Andrew Jackson (25)	Salisbury	Each Thursday	J. E. Haynes, Box 497	J. Giles Hudson, Sr.
578	Meadow Branch (26)	Wingate	4 Friday	W. V. Williams, 1621 Club Rd., Charlotte	Joe G. Chaney
579	Casar (37)	Casar	1 Thursday	A. N. Nolan	N. W. Pruett
583	Ionic (7)	Cove City	2 and 4 Tuesday	A. N. Heath	A. M. Davis
584	Apex (16)	Apex	Mon. after 2 and 4 Sun.	Geo. T. Rogers, Box 216	A. E. Leavitt
585	Roseboro (9)	Roseboro	1 and 3 Thursday	P. C. Sutton, Box 275	T. D. Cain
589	Bethel (5)	Bethel	1 Monday and 3 Thur.	R. L. Martin	C. W. Everett
590	Lowell (28)	Lowell	1 and 3 Tuesday	Ivey C. Morris, Box 201	George Waldrop, Box 263
592	Malden (36)	Malden	2 Monday	C. Dennis Ellis, Box 126	Ivey F. Willis
593	Stony Point (29)	Stony Point	1 and 3 Thursday	J. R. Thomas	J. Bryan Matlock, Hiddenite
594	Ashe (34)	Jefferson	2 and 4 Tuesday	J. H. Payne, W. Jefferson	F. L. McMillan, W. Jefferson
595	Wallace (9)	Wallace	Mon. after 1 and 3 Sun.	Clifton J. Knowles	Steve H. Mallard
596	Waccamaw (10)	Bolton	2 and 4 Wednesday	H. W. Paxton, Box 61	Home M. Bordeaux, Delco
598	Cranberry (40)	Elk Park	1 and 3 Tuesday	E. L. LaFerty, Banner Elk	C. A. Bowlicks, Heaton
602	Queen City (18)	Rocky Mount	1 and 3 Thursday	Edwin C. Smith, Box 145	Thomas R. Easterling, 319 Raleigh St.
605	Jeff L. Nelson (38)	Tryon	2 and 4 Monday	G. L. Pace, Box 464	Ernest H. Gibbs, Columbus
606	River Side (36)	Catawba	2 Monday	Geo. Whitener Rhyne	Walter H. Wilkinson, 1514 13th Ave., Hickory
607	Chadbourn (10)	Chadbourn	3 Tuesday	R. A. Meares	J. B. Smith
609	Zebulon (15)	Zebulon	1 Tuesday	Worth Hinton	W. L. Simpson, Rt. 4
612	Atkinson (10)	Atkinson	2 and 4 Monday	R. L. Croom	John D. Eakins
613	Home (6)	Fremont	2 Monday	Geo. W. Davis	Jesse M. Bogue
616	Round Peak (31)	Mound Airy, Rt. 3	1 Saturday 2:00 p.m.	J. W. Scott, Rt. 3	N. A. Lowe, Rt. 3
617	St. Patrick's (6)	Prairieville	1 and 3 Wednesday	B. L. Aycock	O. L. Boyette, Rt. 2
618	Union (25)	Midland	Saturday before 2 Sunday	Roland A. Brooks	Charles H. Long, Rt. 1, Indian Trail
624	John H. Mills (19)	Epsom	Thursday before 1 Sunday	R. T. Renn, Rt. 1, Henderson	W. J. Bowen, Rt. 1, Henderson
626	Cannon Memorial (25)	Kannapolis	1 and 3 Tuesday	Robert L. Shinn, Box 683	Wm. L. Farabee, 107 S. E. Ave.

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627 Belmont (28)-----	Belmont-----	2 and 4 Monday-----	Walter T. Warren, Box 424-----	C. W. Fite, Sr., 201 N. Cen. Ave.
629 Walnut Cove (30)-----	Walnut Cove-----	1 Tuesday and 3 Saturday-----	M. O. Jones-----	J. G. Neal, Jr., Belew Creek
630 Fran. S. Packard (19)-----	Norlina-----	2 and 4 Thursday-----	Harry W. Walker, Box 99-----	T. P. Perkins, Box 82, Wise
632 Goldsboro (6)-----	Goldsboro-----	2 and 4 Monday-----	Roy M. Sasser, Box 287-----	W. E. Thornton, Center St.
637 Yaddin Falls (25)-----	Badin-----	1 and 3 Monday-----	W. Hurd Davis, Box 1043-----	S. P. Holt
643 Proctorville (11)-----	Proctorville-----	1 Monday-----	H. H. Atkinson, Box 52-----	J. A. Nye, Box 32
646 Elizabethtown-----	Elizabethtown-----	1 Friday-----	W. W. Woodhouse, Box 13-----	Lee Roy Cain
650 John A. Nichols (39)-----	Asheville-----	2 Thursday-----	James L. Brown, Box 6114, W. Asheville Sta.-----	Herbert W. Kissinger, 1091 Haywood Rd., West Asheville Station
654 Elberta (12)-----	West End-----	Tues. after 1 and 3 Sun.-----	Angus A. McDonald-----	Beula A. Cox, Ellerbe
656 Guilford (23)-----	Greensboro-----	1 and 3 Monday-----	G. W. Covington, Box 656-----	Samuel L. Smith, 520 N. Mendenhall St.
657 Keller Memorial (25)-----	Rockwell-----	2 and 4 Monday-----	P. J. Lively, Box 116, Granite Quarry-----	C. L. Rinehart
658 Beulaville (9)-----	Beulaville-----	1 and 3 Tuesday-----	R. S. Bostic, Box 182-----	P. C. Shaw
663 Black Mountain (38)-----	Black Mountain-----	1 Friday-----	G. E. Kerlee-----	C. L. Ham
664 Garland (9)-----	Garland-----	2 Monday-----	A. E. Carter-----	S. L. Smith
665 West Asheville (39)-----	Asheville-----	1 Monday-----	C. E. Holt, Box 6032-----	S. O. Taylor, 46 Crestmont Ave.
666 N. C. Lo. of Res. (26)-----	Monroe-----	Every Saturday-----	S. H. Green, 607 S. Church St.-----	Royal C. Stephenson, 627 W. Jones, Raleigh
667 Fort Bragg (14)-----	Fort Bragg-----	1 Tuesday-----	A. B. Reems, Box 156-----	Kirk Flannigan
668 Holland Memorial (28)-----	Gastonia-----	2 Thurs. and Dec. 27-----	Ralph W. Langford, Box 106-----	Supply Det., Section I
669 Kernersville (30)-----	Kernersville-----	1 Monday-----	C. A. Stone-----	Wm. E. Jordan, Box 786
670 Lovelady (36)-----	Valdese-----	2 Monday-----	Joseph A. Verreault, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 52-----	Conrad W. Crutchfield
672 Robbinsville (43)-----	Robbinsville-----	2 Tuesday-----	Arthur Ford, Box 163-----	P. A. Meytre
673 Spindale (44)-----	Spindale-----	2 and 4 Tuesday-----	L. D. Davis-----	Gordon L. Butler, Nantahala
674 Acacia (23)-----	High Point-----	1 Thursday-----	J. D. McCreary, Drawer 30-----	Earl Yelton
675 Washington (3)-----	Washington-----	1 and 3 Monday-----	C. C. Duke, Box 514-----	Joe H. Smith, Box 550
676 Temple (27)-----	Charlotte-----	2 Thursday-----	Louis E. Lamkin, Box 82, Zo. 1-----	Paul R. Waters, Box 4
677 Warsaw (9)-----	Warsaw-----	2 and 4 Tuesday-----	Samuel A. Jones-----	Joel J. Faulk
678 Providence (3)-----	Columbia-----	1 and 3 Wednesday-----	Joseph W. Hamilton, Box 233-----	Box 2389, Zone (1)
679 Creasy Proctor (14)-----	Fayetteville-----	2 and 4 Tuesday-----	Rufus K. Moore, Jr., Box 432-----	Quincy J. Sutton, Sr.
680 Semper Fidelis (10)-----	Midway Park-----	2 and 4 Wednesday-----	Geo. C. Moore, 506 Butler Dr.-----	Lloyd B. Davenport, Box 274
681 Piedmont (23)-----	High Point-----	4 Friday-----	P. Lee Smith, Sec. Bk. Bldg.-----	D. L. McRaney, Box 919
				G. C. Faville, Jr., 400 Butler Dr.
				Hugh C. Bennett, Box 1606

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## ABSTRACT OF RETURNS FROM SUBORDINATE LODGES

For the Masonic Year Ending December 31, 1946

### 1—ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT—Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Hall, Currituck	53	8	7	5	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	92	94	...	2
Widow's Son, Camden	75	8	6	5	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	56	60	...	4
Perquimans, Perquimans	106	4	5	5	2	...	...	...	2	3	2	81	83	...	2
Gatesville, Gates	126	5	6	7	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	35	41	...	6
New Lebanon, Camden	314	2	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	55	59	...	4
Eureka, Pasquotank	317	30	28	23	8	...	...	...	4	5	11	207	229	...	22
Currituck, Currituck	463	11	10	8	2	...	...	2	2	2	2	129	135	...	6
Wanchese, Dare	521	31	26	26	3	3	...	...	6	2	5	266	290	...	24
	99	89	82	16	5	...	...	...	16	17	23	921	991	...	70

### 2—WINDSOR DISTRICT—Bertie, Chowan, and part of Hertford and Martin Counties

Charity, Bertie	5	7	4	4	1	...	...	...	...	2	4	121	124	...	3	
Unanimity, Chowan	7	12	11	11	1	1	...	...	1	4	...	1	110	118	...	8
Davie, Bertie	39	4	4	5	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	41	46	...	5	
Skewarkee, Martin	90	14	15	15	5	...	...	...	2	2	3	143	159	...	16	
Coleraine, Bertie	171	13	4	4	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	46	50	...	4	
Wiccacoh, Hertford	240	3	5	5	3	...	...	1	...	2	2	41	46	...	5	
Aulander, Bertie	516	10	8	7	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	43	53	...	10	
	63	51	51	14	2	...	...	2	7	7	15	545	596	...	51	

### 3—PLYMOUTH DISTRICT—Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrrell, and Washington Counties

Perseverance, Washington	59	18	20	22	1	1	...	...	12	...	2	152	164	...	12
Orr, Beaufort	104	19	19	19	7	1	...	...	1	3	12	162	185	...	23
Atlantic, Hyde	294	6	3	3	...	1	...	...	3	1	5	52	52	...	...
Aurora, Beaufort	300	5	10	9	...	...	...	...	3	...	5	92	98	...	6
Mattamuskeet, Hyde	328	3	5	7	...	2	...	...	1	3	3	73	78	...	5
Belhaven, Beaufort	509	18	17	18	2	...	...	...	1	2	4	99	116	...	17
Fairfield, Hyde	520	6	7	7	...	...	...	...	17	...	1	53	43	10	...
Washington, Beaufort	675	31	29	31	9	...	...	...	1	...	2	61	100	...	39
Providence, Tyrrell	UD	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	35	...	1
	108	111	117	19	5	...	...	...	39	9	34	778	871	10	103

### 4—HALIFAX DISTRICT—Halifax and Northampton Counties and part of Hertford County

Royal White Hart, Halifax	2	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	52	53	...	1
American George, Hertford	17	12	13	13	3	1	...	...	1	1	4	63	78	...	15
King Solomon, Northampton	56	5	10	10	...	2	...	...	1	4	2	84	91	...	7
Roanoke, Halifax	203	5	6	6	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	46	52	...	6
Seaboard, Northampton	378	4	6	6	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	47	51	...	4
Potecasi, Northampton	418	16	14	14	...	1	...	1	1	2	1	90	101	...	11
Enfield, Halifax	447	4	2	3	1	3	...	...	2	3	...	129	131	...	2
Rich Square, Northampton	488	3	5	6	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	45	56	...	11
Royal Hart, Halifax	497	9	10	9	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	69	78	...	9
Widow's Son, Halifax	519	12	11	11	3	2	...	...	2	3	11	136	147	...	11
Pendleton, Northampton	524	9	8	8	2	...	...	...	2	...	4	70	78	...	8
	85	85	86	16	10	...	...	2	10	15	24	831	916	...	85



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## 5—GREENVILLE DISTRICT—Pitt County and part of Martin

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Grifton, Pitt	243	5	8	12	1	1	...	...	...	2	2	98	110	...	12
Greenville, Pitt	284	26	33	33	7	3	...	...	3	5	4	257	292	...	35
Stonewall, Martin	296	12	12	12	1	1	...	...	2	1	2	83	94	...	11
Grimesland, Pitt	475	4	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	36	40	...	4
Ayden, Pitt	498	16	20	22	1	1	...	...	1	2	1	54	74	...	20
Farmville, Pitt	517	10	9	7	2	2	...	...	1	4	2	105	111	...	6
Bethel, Pitt	589	9	8	7	3	2	...	...	1	...	...	56	67	...	11
		82	92	95	15	12	...	...	8	15	13	689	788	...	99

## 6—KINSTON DISTRICT—Greene, Lenoir and Wayne Counties and part of Johnston County

St. John's, Lenoir	4	39	37	38	5	...	...	3	10	4	12	248	274	...	26
Jerusalem, Greene	95	5	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	37	42	...	5
Wayne, Wayne	112	27	29	29	3	...	...	...	5	1	6	200	226	...	26
Radiance, Greene	132	7	9	9	1	...	...	...	4	2	3	66	70	...	4
Mount Olive, Wayne	208	11	8	8	4	2	...	...	1	2	1	71	82	...	11
Lenoir, Lenoir	233	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	36	39	...	3
Pleasant Hill, Lenoir	304	7	8	11	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	47	57	...	10
Harmony, Wayne	340	4	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	53	58	...	5
Home, Wayne	613	9	8	8	1	2	...	...	1	1	...	44	53	...	9
St. Patrick's, Johnston	617	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	23	...	...
Goldsboro, Wayne	634	14	14	15	3	3	...	2	1	1	1	151	168	...	17
		127	125	135	17	7	...	5	23	15	27	976	1092	...	116

## 7—NEW BERN DISTRICT—Carteret, Craven, Pamlico and a part of Jones and Onslow

St. John's, Craven	3	19	20	21	...	1	...	...	1	3	5	144	162	...	18
Zion, Jones	81	13	5	4	1	4	...	1	1	1	...	44	50	...	6
Franklin, Carteret	109	25	29	30	4	1	...	1	5	4	10	185	210	...	25
Bayboro, Pamlico	331	2	2	2	...	...	...	1	2	2	2	86	83	...	3
Mount Vernon, Pamlico	359	8	7	8	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	75	82	...	7
Ocean, Carteret	405	14	15	11	4	...	...	...	4	2	11	149	158	...	9
Vanceboro, Craven	433	7	9	9	...	1	...	...	1	1	1	59	67	...	8
Rainbow, Pamlico	479	9	11	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39	52	...	13
Richlands, Onslow	564	4	4	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	22	25	...	3
Doric, Craven	568	67	64	58	3	2	...	2	12	6	23	438	481	...	43
Ionic, Craven	583	12	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	62	68	...	6
		180	171	166	12	9	...	6	27	19	54	1303	1438	...	138

## 8th DISTRICT Eliminated

## 9—CLINTON DISTRICT—Duplin and Sampson Counties

St. John's, Duplin	13	24	18	18	2				34	2	1	199	183	16	
Hiram, Sampson	98	26	23	22	5	3			2		11	149	177		28
Mill Creek, Sampson	125	5	6	6					1		2	44	44		5
Mingo, Sampson	206	18	12	12				3	1	1	2	39	46		7
Rehoboth, Duplin	279	3	8	10	1				2		1	61	70		9
Coharie, Sampson	379	5	5	5	1				1	1	1	37	41		4
Roseboro, Sampson	585	6	6	6	4				2	1		65	72		7
Wallace, Duplin	595	19	16	16	3					4	2	150	165		15
Beulaville, Duplin	658	8	7	6		1			2		1	64	69		5
Garland, Sampson	664	1	1	1				1		1		39	38	1	
Warsaw, Duplin	677	12	12	12	7							29	48		19
		127	114	114	23	4		4	45	10	21	876	958	17	99



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### 10—WILMINGTON DISTRICT—Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover, Pender and part of Onslow

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
St. John's, New Hanover	1	55	49	51	10	3	...	...	12	10	23	616	658	...	42
Lafayette, Onslow	83	25	27	26	...	3	...	...	11	...	10	106	124	...	18
King Solomon, Pender	138	22	25	24	5	...	...	...	4	3	4	121	143	...	22
Fair Bluff, Columbus	190	10	7	7	...	3	...	...	2	...	1	62	70	...	8
Lebanon, Columbus	207	21	24	24	6	...	...	1	...	2	7	79	106	...	27
Pythagoras, Brunswick	249	3	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	2	5	121	123	...	2
Wilmington, New Hanover	319	43	50	49	5	1	...	...	8	2	10	279	324	...	45
Orient, New Hanover	395	15	16	17	3	3	1	...	4	3	3	188	203	...	15
Seaside, Onslow	429	10	14	13	...	...	...	...	3	1	2	74	83	...	9
Tabor, Columbus	563	11	11	11	1	1	...	...	1	4	4	68	76	...	8
Waccamaw, Columbus	596	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	36	36	...	...
Chadbourn, Columbus	607	17	16	13	...	...	...	...	1	4	6	68	76	...	8
Atkinson, Pender	612	15	8	10	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	38	49	...	11
Semper Fidelis, Onslow	UD	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	24
	250	254	252	55	14	1	1	46	34	77	1856	2095	...	...	239

### 11—LUMBERTON DISTRICT—Bladen and Robeson Counties

St. Albans, Robeson	114	30	25	21	5	4	...	2	5	2	10	239	260	...	21
Maxton, Robeson	417	11	11	11	4	2	...	...	3	4	3	45	55	...	10
St. Paul's, Robeson	474	3	5	5	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	60	62	...	2
Red Springs, Robeson	501	6	7	8	3	...	...	...	3	3	3	122	127	...	5
Fairmont, Robeson	528	18	12	8	1	4	...	...	3	...	...	60	70	...	10
Proctorville, Robeson	643	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	19	20	...	1
Bladen, Bladen	646	9	10	13	7	...	...	9	...	1	2	38	48	...	10
	78	72	66	22	10	...	11	17	11	20	583	642	...	...	59

### 12—ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT—Hoke, Richmond, Scotland and part of Moore Counties

Laurinburg, Scotland	305	13	13	14	5	5	...	2	3	3	...	118	134	...	16
Raeord, Hoke	306	13	13	10	4	1	...	...	1	...	2	104	118	...	14
Southern Pines, Moore	484	20	18	16	1	1	...	...	4	5	2	123	132	...	9
Rockingham, Richmond	495	17	13	13	14	4	1	...	2	1	3	113	140	...	27
Hamlet, Richmond	532	11	14	16	4	1	...	...	5	3	5	183	196	...	13
Roman Eagle, Moore	550	8	6	6	3	2	...	...	1	1	5	64	73	...	9
Elberta, Moore	654	8	7	12	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	46	57	...	11
	90	84	87	32	14	1	2	16	15	17	751	850	...	...	99

### 13—SANFORD DISTRICT—Chatham, Lee and part of Moore Counties

Columbus, Chatham	102	6	9	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	41	51	...	10
Mount Vernon, Chatham	143	9	8	8	...	4	...	...	3	2	1	52	59	...	7
Sanford, Lee	151	12	10	10	4	...	...	...	3	4	4	243	250	...	7
Buffalo, Lee	172	8	7	7	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	97	104	...	7
Carthage, Moore	181	8	5	4	1	...	...	3	...	1	1	55	56	...	1
Siler City, Chatham	403	14	13	13	4	1	...	...	1	5	...	123	135	...	12
Elise, Moore	555	8	11	11	3	...	...	...	1	1	7	73	85	...	12
	65	63	61	15	5	...	3	8	14	15	684	740	...	...	56

### 14—FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—Cumberland and Harnett Counties and part of Johnston County

Phoenix, Cumberland	8	48	52	50	13	6	...	2	54	6	26	321	328	...	7
Fellowship, Johnston	84	11	6	8	4	...	...	...	2	1	1	117	126	...	9
Palmyra, Harnett	147	38	40	29	11	...	...	...	4	...	2	214	250	...	36
Lillington, Harnett	302	26	22	18	3	1	...	...	1	2	3	95	114	...	19
Lebanon, Cumberland	391	11	11	11	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	62	70	...	8
Relief, Johnston	431	5	7	6	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	83	88	...	5
Neill S. Stewart, Harnett	556	17	14	13	...	2	...	...	2	4	2	118	127	...	9
Fort Bragg, Cumberland	667	50	46	37	1	...	...	...	16	1	8	163	184	...	21
Creasy Proctor, Cumberland	UD	7	6	6	49	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	55	...	55
	213	204	178	83	9	...	2	81	18	44	1173	1342	...	...	169

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## 15—RALEIGH DISTRICT—Part of Wake County, and part of Johnston County

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Hiram, Wake	40	56	47	41	7	4	...	...	5	9	5	390	428	...	38
Millbrook, Wake	97	10	6	6	1	1	...	...	2	3	2	47	50	...	3
White Stone, Wake	155	14	13	12	...	2	...	1	...	4	2	62	71	...	9
Archer, Johnston	165	5	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	30	34	...	4
Granite, Johnston	191	2	2	3	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	29	31	...	2
Wake Forest, Wake	282	10	10	10	4	...	...	1	1	1	1	99	110	...	11
Raleigh, Wake	500	22	21	18	9	1	...	...	3	4	...	176	197	...	21
Wendell, Wake	565	5	8	7	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	84	91	...	7
Zebulon, Wake	609	5	5	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	57	...	7
	129	115	107	22	10	...	...	2	14	21	10	967	1069	...	102

## 16—APEX DISTRICT—Part of Wake County and part of Chatham County

Holly Springs, Wake	115	3	1	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	32	34	...	2
Geo. Washington, Chatham	174	1	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	43	48	...	5
Cary, Wake	198	10	7	9	...	...	...	...	3	2	1	88	92	...	4
Wm. G. Hill, Wake	218	69	64	54	13	8	...	...	3	19	18	514	567	...	53
Wm. T. Bain, Wake	231	9	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	34	40	...	6
Fuquay, Wake	258	11	4	7	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	107	112	...	5
Green Level, Wake	277	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	45	44	...	1
Apex, Wake	584	4	7	10	3	...	...	...	2	2	1	57	66	...	9
	107	95	94	16	10	...	...	...	11	26	21	920	1003	...	84

## 17—WILSON DISTRICT—Wilson County and parts of Nash and Johnston Counties

Joseph Warren, Wilson	92	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	91	89	...	2
Mount Lebanon, Wilson	117	22	15	15	20	4	...	...	3	2	7	183	217	...	34
Kenly, Johnston	257	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	3	...	66	63	...	3
Selma, Johnston	320	3	1	4	1	1	...	...	2	1	...	96	99	...	3
Bailey, Nash	411	7	1	5	2	...	...	...	1	1	...	54	59	...	5
Rodgers, Nash	525	2	3	3	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	35	35	...	...
Lucama, Wilson	527	10	10	10	1	...	...	...	...	2	3	47	56	...	9
Mount Pleasant, Nash	569	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	13	11	...	2
	49	31	38	24	6	...	...	...	10	14	12	585	629	...	51

## 18—ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT—Edgecombe County and part of Nash County

Concord, Edgecombe	58	13	13	15	1	1	...	...	1	2	6	102	116	...	14
Morning Star, Nash	85	6	5	5	2	2	...	...	2	2	3	65	70	...	5
Central Cross, Nash	187	9	7	7	5	...	1	...	1	2	1	48	56	...	8
Corinthian, Nash	230	24	24	23	8	1	...	...	3	5	11	180	204	...	24
Queen City, Nash	602	9	9	11	2	2	...	...	3	2	4	163	173	...	10
	61	58	61	18	6	1	...	...	10	13	25	558	619	...	61

## 19—HENDERSON DISTRICT—Franklin, Vance and Warren Counties

Johnston-Caswell, Warren	10	6	4	4	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	62	66	...	4
Franklinton, Franklin	123	5	5	5	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	64	67	...	3
Henderson, Vance	229	26	18	19	5	1	...	...	1	4	9	149	168	...	19
Youngsville, Franklin	377	7	4	3	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	28	31	...	3
Louisburg, Franklin	413	9	6	9	4	2	...	...	1	1	2	106	119	...	13
J. H. Mills, Vance	624	1	3	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	41	41	...	...
Francis S. Packard, Warren	630	12	11	10	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	50	57	...	7
	66	51	50	10	6	...	...	...	1	7	9	500	549	...	49

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## 20—OXFORD DISTRICT—Granville and Person Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Person, Person .....	113	24	18	22	6	1	...	...	2	1	2	115	141	...	26
Oxford, Granville .....	122	10	11	10	2	...	...	...	3	4	3	143	148	...	5
Adoniram, Granville .....	149	3	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41	47	...	6
Granville, Granville .....	380	7	6	6	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	19	25	...	6
Tally Ho, Granville .....	393	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	21	...	...
Henry F. Grainger, Granville...	412	1	1	2	1	2	...	...	1	1	...	29	32	...	3
Creedmoor, Granville .....	499	4	6	6	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	39	44	...	5
	49	47	52	10	4	...	...	...	7	8	6	407	458	...	51

## 21—DURHAM DISTRICT—Alamance, Durham, Orange and Caswell Counties

Caswell-Brotherhood, Caswell ..	11	8	6	8	2	1	...	...	...	2	1	113	122	...	9
Eagle, Orange .....	19	6	8	8	2	2	...	...	1	3	3	157	165	...	8
Knap of Reeds, Durham .....	158	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	55	57	...	2
Eno, Durham .....	210	18	13	13	1	4	...	...	6	5	5	230	237	...	7
Bingham, Alamance .....	272	9	8	8	...	1	...	...	1	1	3	83	90	...	7
Durham, Durham .....	352	45	40	41	6	6	...	2	4	6	11	438	479	...	41
University, Orange .....	408	10	10	10	1	3	...	...	3	1	...	129	139	...	10
Bula, Alamance .....	409	31	32	32	10	1	...	2	1	1	7	272	311	...	39
Thos. M. Holt, Alamance .....	492	9	6	7	5	...	...	...	1	1	...	49	59	...	10
	138	125	129	27	18	...	...	4	17	20	33	1526	1659	...	133

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## 23—GREENSBORO DISTRICT—Davidson, Guilford and Rockingham Counties

Greensboro, Guilford .....	76	47	46	46	9	13	...	1	5	6	4	392	448	...	56
Dan River, Rockingham .....	129	12	9	7	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	70	77	...	7
Leaksville, Rockingham .....	136	7	8	8	5	...	...	2	...	8	...	170	181	...	11
Thomasville, Davidson .....	214	22	17	18	2	...	...	1	2	4	...	151	168	...	17
Tobasco, Guilford .....	271	9	8	8	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	54	61	...	7
Numa F. Reid, Guilford .....	344	25	22	20	3	8	...	1	5	5	...	268	293	...	25
Reidsville, Rockingham .....	384	22	23	25	4	4	...	2	3	18	...	217	245	...	28
Denton, Davidson .....	404	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	62	62	...	...
Stokesdale, Guilford .....	428	11	9	7	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	65	72	...	7
Lexington, Davidson .....	473	24	23	24	3	4	...	2	6	2	8	214	235	...	21
Corinthian, Guilford .....	542	47	41	41	11	11	...	3	4	4	...	269	325	...	56
Revolution, Guilford .....	552	54	53	54	4	4	...	1	...	5	...	243	304	...	61
Guilford, Guilford .....	656	40	33	32	4	1	...	4	...	9	...	168	201	...	33
Acacia, Guilford .....	674	31	27	21	5	...	...	1	2	1	8	136	158	...	22
	353	320	311	51	49	...	...	4	29	27	73	2479	2830	...	351

## 24—ASHEBORO DISTRICT—Montgomery and Randolph Counties

Blackmer, Montgomery .....	127	7	7	7	2	...	...	...	1	1	...	47	54	...	7
Hanks, Randolph .....	128	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	40	...	3
Balfour, Randolph .....	188	42	34	29	6	1	...	1	5	3	7	134	161	...	27
Biscoe, Montgomery .....	437	5	6	6	4	2	...	...	3	1	5	160	168	...	8
Marietta, Randolph .....	444	9	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	42	...	9
	66	58	54	12	3	...	...	1	9	5	12	411	465	...	54

## 25—SALISBURY DISTRICT—Cabarrus, Rowan and Stanly Counties

Stokes, Cabarrus .....	32	27	32	32	3	6	...	...	2	4	7	293	328	...	35
Fulton, Rowan .....	99	20	20	21	7	1	...	...	6	3	10	281	301	...	20
Pee Dee, Stanly .....	150	3	1	2	2	1	...	...	1	2	...	32	34	...	2
Scotch-Ireland, Rowan .....	154	5	5	4	...	1	...	...	2	2	1	81	82	...	1
Eureka, Rowan .....	283	26	27	26	4	1	...	...	1	...	4	106	136	...	30
Stanly, Stanly .....	348	24	26	27	2	...	...	...	1	1	7	232	259	...	27
Spencer, Rowan .....	543	14	14	14	2	...	...	...	1	7	14	188	196	...	8
Andrew Jackson, Rowan .....	576	20	22	22	6	...	...	...	2	3	...	186	209	...	23
Union, Cabarrus .....	618	8	7	7	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	57	65	...	8
Cannon Memorial, Cabarrus .....	626	56	58	52	5	2	...	...	2	1	24	309	365	...	56
Yadkin Falls, Stanly .....	637	5	5	5	...	1	...	...	3	1	...	114	116	...	2
Keller Memorial, Rowan .....	657	8	8	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	39	...	10
	216	225	222	31	15	...	...	...	21	25	67	1908	2130	...	222

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## 15—RALEIGH DISTRICT—Part of Wake County, and part of Johnston County

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Hiram, Wake	40	56	47	41	7	4	...	...	5	9	5	390	428	...	38
Millbrook, Wake	97	10	6	6	1	1	...	...	2	3	2	47	50	...	3
White Stone, Wake	155	14	13	12	...	2	...	1	...	4	2	62	71	...	9
Archer, Johnston	165	5	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	30	34	...	4
Granite, Johnston	191	2	2	3	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	29	31	...	2
Wake Forest, Wake	282	10	10	10	4	...	...	1	1	1	1	99	110	...	11
Raleigh, Wake	500	22	21	18	9	1	...	...	3	4	...	176	197	...	21
Wendell, Wake	565	5	8	7	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	84	91	...	7
Zebulon, Wake	609	5	5	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	57	...	7
	129	115	107	22	10	...	...	2	14	21	10	967	1069	...	102

## 16—APEX DISTRICT—Part of Wake County and part of Chatham County

Holly Springs, Wake	115	3	1	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	32	34	...	2
Geo. Washington, Chatham	174	1	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	43	48	...	5
Cary, Wake	198	10	7	9	...	...	...	...	3	2	1	88	92	...	4
Wm. G. Hill, Wake	218	69	64	54	13	8	...	...	3	19	18	514	567	...	53
Wm. T. Bain, Wake	231	9	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	34	40	...	6
Fuquay, Wake	258	11	4	7	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	107	112	...	5
Green Level, Wake	277	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	45	44	...	1
Apex, Wake	584	4	7	10	3	...	...	...	2	2	1	57	66	...	9
	107	95	94	16	10	...	...	...	11	26	21	920	1003	...	84

## 17—WILSON DISTRICT—Wilson County and parts of Nash and Johnston Counties

Joseph Warren, Wilson	92	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	91	89	...	2
Mount Lebanon, Wilson	117	22	15	15	20	4	...	...	3	2	7	183	217	...	34
Kenly, Johnston	257	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	3	...	66	63	...	3
Selma, Johnston	320	3	1	4	1	1	...	...	2	1	...	96	99	...	3
Bailey, Nash	411	7	1	5	2	...	...	...	1	1	...	54	59	...	5
Rodgers, Nash	525	2	3	3	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	35	35	...	...
Lucama, Wilson	527	10	10	10	1	...	...	...	...	2	3	47	56	...	9
Mount Pleasant, Nash	569	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	13	11	...	2
	49	31	38	24	6	...	...	...	10	14	12	585	629	...	51

## 18—ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT—Edgecombe County and part of Nash County

Concord, Edgecombe	58	13	13	15	1	1	...	...	1	2	6	102	116	...	14
Morning Star, Nash	85	6	5	5	2	2	...	...	2	2	3	65	70	...	5
Central Cross, Nash	187	9	7	7	5	...	...	1	1	2	1	48	56	...	8
Corinthian, Nash	230	24	24	23	8	1	...	...	3	5	11	180	204	...	24
Queen City, Nash	602	9	9	11	2	2	...	...	3	2	4	163	173	...	10
	61	58	61	18	6	1	...	...	10	13	25	558	619	...	61

## 19—ENDERSON DISTRICT—Franklin, Vance and Warren Counties

Johnston-Caswell, Warren	10	6	4	4	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	62	66	...	4
Franklinton, Franklin	123	5	5	5	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	64	67	...	3
Henderson, Vance	229	26	18	19	5	1	...	...	1	4	9	149	168	...	19
Youngsville, Franklin	377	7	4	3	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	28	31	...	3
Louisburg, Franklin	413	9	6	9	4	2	...	...	1	1	2	106	119	...	13
J. H. Mills, Vance	624	1	3	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	41	41	...	...
Francis S. Packard, Warren	630	12	11	10	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	50	57	...	7
	66	51	50	10	6	...	...	...	1	7	9	500	549	...	49

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### 20—OXFORD DISTRICT—Granville and Person Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Person, Person	113	24	18	22	6	1			2	1	2	115	141		26
Oxford, Granville	122	10	11	10	2				3	4	3	143	148		5
Adoniram, Granville	149	3	5	6								41	47		6
Granville, Granville	380	7	6	6		1				1		19	25		6
Tally Ho, Granville	393											21	21		
Henry F. Grainger, Granville	412	1	1	2	1	2			1	1		29	32		3
Creedmoor, Granville	499	4	6	6	1				1	1	1	39	44		5
		49	47	52	10	4			7	8	6	407	458		51

### 21—DURHAM DISTRICT—Alamance, Durham, Orange and Caswell Counties

Caswell-Brotherhood, Caswell	11	8	6	8	2	1	...	...	...	2	1	113	122	...	9
Eagle, Orange	19	6	8	8	2	2	...	...	...	1	3	157	165	...	8
Knap of Reeds, Durham	158	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55	57	...	2
Eno, Durham	210	18	13	13	1	4	...	...	6	5	5	230	237	...	7
Bingham, Alamance	272	9	8	8	...	1	...	...	1	1	3	83	90	...	7
Durham, Durham	352	45	40	41	6	6	...	2	4	6	11	438	479	...	41
University, Orange	408	10	10	10	1	3	...	...	3	1	...	129	139	...	10
Bula, Alamance	409	31	32	32	10	1	...	2	1	1	7	272	311	...	39
Thos. M. Holt, Alamance	492	9	6	7	5	...	...	...	1	1	...	49	59	...	10
	138	125	129	27	18	...	...	4	17	20	33	1526	1659	...	133

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### 23—GREENSBORO DISTRICT—Davidson, Guilford and Rockingham Counties

Greensboro, Guilford	76	47	46	46	9	13	...	1	5	6	4	392	448	...	56
Dan River, Rockingham	129	12	9	7	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	70	77	...	7
Leaksville, Rockingham	136	7	8	8	5	...	...	...	2	...	8	170	181	...	11
Thomasville, Davidson	214	22	17	18	2	...	...	...	1	2	4	151	168	...	17
Tobasco, Guilford	271	9	8	8	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	54	61	...	7
Numa F. Reid, Guilford	344	25	22	20	3	8	...	...	1	5	5	268	293	...	25
Reidsville, Rockingham	384	22	23	25	4	4	...	...	2	3	18	217	245	...	28
Denton, Davidson	404	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	62	62	...	...
Stokesdale, Guilford	428	11	9	7	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	65	72	...	7
Lexington, Davidson	473	24	23	24	3	4	...	2	6	2	8	214	235	...	21
Corinthian, Guilford	542	47	41	41	11	11	...	...	3	4	4	269	325	...	56
Revolution, Guilford	552	54	53	54	4	4	...	...	1	...	5	243	304	...	61
Guilford, Guilford	656	40	33	32	4	1	...	...	4	...	9	168	201	...	33
Acacia, Guilford	674	31	27	21	5	...	...	1	2	1	8	136	158	...	22
	353	320	311	51	49	...	...	4	29	27	73	2479	2830	...	351

### 24—ASHEBORO DISTRICT—Montgomery and Randolph Counties

Blackmer, Montgomery	127	7	7	7	2	...	...	...	1	1	...	47	54	...	7
Hanks, Randolph	128	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	40	...	3
Balfour, Randolph	188	42	34	29	6	1	...	1	5	3	7	134	161	...	27
Biscoe, Montgomery	437	5	6	6	4	2	...	...	3	1	5	160	168	...	8
Marietta, Randolph	444	9	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	42	...	9
	66	58	54	12	3	...	...	1	9	5	12	411	465	...	54

### 25—SALISBURY DISTRICT—Cabarrus, Rowan and Stanly Counties

Stokes, Cabarrus	32	27	32	32	3	6	...	...	2	4	7	293	328	...	35
Fulton, Rowan	99	20	20	21	7	1	...	...	6	3	10	281	301	...	20
Pee Dee, Stanly	150	3	1	2	2	1	...	...	1	2	...	32	34	...	2
Scotch-Ireland, Rowan	154	5	5	4	...	1	...	...	2	2	1	81	82	...	1
Eureka, Rowan	283	26	27	26	4	1	...	...	1	...	4	106	136	...	30
Stanly, Stanly	348	24	26	27	2	...	...	...	1	1	7	232	259	...	27
Spencer, Rowan	543	14	14	14	2	...	...	...	1	7	14	188	196	...	8
Andrew Jackson, Rowan	576	20	22	22	6	...	...	...	2	3	...	186	209	...	23
Union, Cabarrus	618	8	7	7	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	57	65	...	8
Cannon Memorial, Cabarrus	626	56	58	52	5	2	...	...	2	1	24	309	365	...	56
Yadkin Falls, Stanly	637	5	5	5	...	1	...	...	3	1	...	114	116	...	2
Keller Memorial, Rowan	657	8	8	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	39	...	10
	216	225	222	31	15	...	...	...	21	25	67	1908	2130	...	222

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## 26—MONROE DISTRICT—Anson and Union Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Kilwinning, Anson .....	64	8	8	9	1	3	...	...	...	2	...	111	122	...	11
Monroe, Union .....	244	18	19	18	2	2	...	2	2	5	171	187	...	16	16
Beaver Dam, Union .....	276	7	4	4	3	...	...	...	1	1	1	54	59	...	5
Waxhaw, Union .....	562	4	2	1	1	1	...	...	3	1	...	48	48	...	...
Meadow Branch, Union .....	578	15	11	10	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	24	37	...	13
N. C. Lodge of Res., Union .....	666	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	25	...	3
		52	44	42	10	9	...	2	3	8	8	430	478	...	48

## 27—CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—Mecklenburg County

Phalanx, Mecklenburg .....	31	24	25	25	12	11	...	3	9	8	9	539	567	...	28
Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg .....	176	2	3	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	64	69	...	5
Long Creek, Mecklenburg .....	205	26	24	24	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	75	98	...	23
Excelsior, Mecklenburg .....	261	120	112	111	16	13	...	1	29	15	23	736	831	...	95
Matthews, Mecklenburg .....	461	10	7	7	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	47	54	...	7
Joppa, Mecklenburg .....	530	89	88	90	26	10	...	...	18	4	30	651	755	...	104
Williams, Mecklenburg .....	538	1	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	39	...	4
Temple, Mecklenburg .....	676	65	62	62	49	...	...	...	...	1	7	...	110	...	110
		337	323	325	107	34	...	4	57	29	74	2147	2523	...	376

## 28—GASTONIA DISTRICT—Gaston and Lincoln Counties

Lincoln, Lincoln .....	137	4	5	5	3	1	...	...	...	3	4	119	125	...	6
Gaston, Gaston .....	263	29	23	24	...	3	...	1	1	...	1	51	76	...	25
Rock Springs, Lincoln .....	341	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...
Gastonia, Gaston .....	369	52	50	51	13	8	...	...	7	9	8	357	413	...	56
South Fork, Gaston .....	462	20	15	18	2	1	...	...	3	2	4	98	114	...	16
Cherryville, Gaston .....	505	23	19	18	2	4	...	...	1	2	...	107	128	...	21
Whetstone, Gaston .....	515	4	6	8	...	...	...	...	1	1	3	71	77	...	6
Mount Holly, Gaston .....	544	7	5	4	1	3	...	...	1	1	6	102	108	...	6
Lowell, Gaston .....	590	29	29	29	3	1	...	...	1	2	7	82	112	...	30
Belmont, Gaston .....	627	23	26	26	...	1	...	...	6	4	7	165	182	...	17
Holland Memorial, Gaston .....	668	40	38	39	4	2	...	1	2	1	1	157	198	...	41
		231	216	222	28	24	...	2	23	25	41	1324	1548	...	224

## 29—STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Alexander and Iredell Counties

Statesville, Iredell .....	27	22	20	22	6	2	...	...	4	3	2	205	228	...	23
Wilson, Iredell .....	226	7	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	38	42	...	4
Lee, Alexander .....	253	7	5	5	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	108	110	...	2
Harmony, Iredell .....	299	4	3	2	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	45	48	...	3
Campbell, Iredell .....	374	7	6	4	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	30	32	...	2
Grassy Knob, Iredell .....	471	5	7	7	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	52	58	...	6
Mooreville, Iredell .....	496	26	20	27	...	1	...	...	2	2	...	94	118	...	24
Snow Creek, Iredell .....	571	7	6	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	47	...	7
Stony Point, Alexander .....	593	6	4	3	1	1	...	...	2	...	2	63	66	...	3
		91	77	82	7	6	...	1	9	11	6	675	749	...	74

## 30—WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT—Davie, Forsyth, Stokes and Yadkin Counties

Mocksville, Davie .....	134	4	6	6	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	119	122	...	3
Yadkin, Yadkin .....	162	14	9	9	2	1	...	1	...	3	...	85	93	...	8
Winston, Forsyth .....	167	36	33	34	4	10	...	1	10	14	5	398	421	...	23
Farmington, Davie .....	265	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	18	...	2
Salem, Forsyth .....	289	68	60	62	7	4	...	...	3	3	5	357	424	...	67
Harmon, Yadkin .....	420	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	24	...	2
West Bend, Forsyth .....	434	8	10	11	5	1	...	...	2	1	1	47	61	...	14
Walnut Cove, Stokes .....	629	14	10	8	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	66	74	...	8
Kernersville, Forsyth .....	669	11	8	8	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	64	71	...	7
		155	136	140	21	17	...	3	16	25	13	1174	1308	...	134



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### 31—ELKIN DISTRICT—Surry County

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Granite, Surry	322	19	24	26	3	1	...	...	2	2	7	221	247	...	26
Copeland, Surry	390	10	7	7	...	1	...	2	2	...	...	66	70	...	4
Elkin, Surry	454	13	14	14	2	2	...	...	2	1	3	114	129	...	15
Pilot, Surry	493	8	2	1	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	61	61	...	...
Ararat, Surry	558	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	20	19	1	...
Round Peak, Surry	616	13	12	13	...	...	...	...	...	3	5	61	71	...	10
		65	59	61	5*	5	...	4	6	7	15	543	597	1	55

### 32nd DISTRICT Eliminated

### 33—WILKESBORO DISTRICT—Wilkes County and part of Watauga County

Liberty, Wilkes	45	13	11	8	1	1	...	...	2	1	80	88	...	8	
Ashler, Watauga	373	4	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	48	48	...	...	
N. Wilkesboro, Wilkes	407	15	11	11	4	2	...	...	2	1	144	159	...	15	
Trap Hill, Wilkes	483	4	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	26	31	...	5	
Mount Pleasant, Wilkes	573	3	3	3	1	1	...	...	1	1	51	55	...	4	
		39	31	27	6	5	...	...	1	5	4	349	381	...	32

### 34—JEFFERSON DISTRICT—Alleghany and Ashe Counties

Sparta, Alleghany	423	5	4	4	...	1	...	...	4	1	1	68	68	...	...
Piney Creek, Alleghany	432	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	32	...	1
Ashe, Ashe	594	5	2	4	2	2	...	...	1	...	...	105	112	...	7
		10	6	8	3	3	...	...	5	1	1	204	212	...	8

### 35th DISTRICT Eliminated

### 36—HICKORY DISTRICT—Burke, Caldwell and Catawba Counties

Catawba Valley, Burke	217	23	20	21	6	2	...	...	1	3	3	135	160	...	25
Catawba, Catawba	248	22	17	16	6	1	...	2	...	1	4	122	142	...	20
Hibriten, Caldwell	262	22	19	21	5	2	...	...	3	1	...	225	249	...	24
Hickory, Catawba	343	32	27	26	8	...	...	1	...	1	4	191	223	...	32
Cookville, Catawba	502	11	11	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	41	...	11
Maiden, Catawba	592	13	14	12	2	1	...	...	1	1	4	69	82	...	13
Riverside, Catawba	606	8	5	5	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	84	90	...	6
Lovelady, Burke	670	26	24	20	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	83	104	...	21
		157	137	132	30	7	...	3	7	7	17	939	1091	...	152

### 37—SHELBY DISTRICT—Cleveland County

Cleveland, Cleveland	202	29	32	32	9	4	...	...	3	6	10	305	341	...	36
Fair View, Cleveland	339	7	10	11	3	2	...	...	2	...	3	95	109	...	14
Fallston, Cleveland	356	6	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	45	50	...	5
State Line, Cleveland	375	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	...	28	26	2	...
Mooreboro, Cleveland	388	5	4	4	1	5	...	...	3	3	1	91	95	...	4
Lawndale, Cleveland	486	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	63	63	...	...
Camp Call, Cleveland	534	10	7	8	...	3	...	...	1	1	...	78	87	...	9
Casar, Cleveland	579	12	12	11	1	1	...	...	1	...	2	26	38	...	12
		71	71	72	14	17	...	...	12	13	18	731	809	2	80

### 38—HENDERSONVILLE DISTRICT—Henderson, Polk and Transylvania Counties and part of Buncombe

Dunn's Rock, Transylvania	267	28	23	19	6	...	...	...	1	2	8	166	188	...	22
Kedron, Henderson	387	9	9	9	7	1	...	...	1	1	6	156	171	...	15
Biltmore, Henderson	446	13	3	3	2	6	...	3	1	2	...	89	94	...	5
Saluda, Polk	482	2	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	33	...	3
Swannanoa, Buncombe	561	14	10	12	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	61	75	...	14
Jeff L. Nelson, Polk	605	12	8	9	...	...	...	...	3	2	3	51	55	...	4
Black Mountain, Buncombe	663	3	4	5	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	72	79	...	7
		81	60	59	20	8	...	3	6	8	18	625	695	...	70

## Abstract of Returns From Subordinate Lodges—(Continued)

## 39—ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—Madison County and part of Buncombe and Yancey

Name of Lodge and County					Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Mount Hermon, Buncombe	118	41	37	33	20	10	...					1	11	5	1	454	500	...	46
Blackmer, Buncombe	170	13	10	12	3	2	...								1	73	88	...	15
French Broad, Madison	292	13	12	12	5	3	...							2	1	106	125	...	19
Vance, Buncombe	293	13	8	9	3	...	...					2			1	85	94	...	9
Bald Creek, Yancey	397	5	9	12	3	3	...						1	4	5	95	108	...	13
Hominy, Buncombe	491	20	19	19	3	...	...						2	2	1	84	102	...	18
John A. Nichols, Buncombe	650	28	23	20	6	1	...						1	...	2	134	160	...	26
W. Asheville, Buncombe	665	20	17	19	3	1	...						2	2	3	133	152	...	19
	153	135	136	46	20	...					3	19	15	14	1164	1329	...	165	

## 40—SPRUCE PINE DISTRICT—Avery, Mitchell, Yancey and part of Watauga County

Bakersville, Mitchell	357	14	12	13	1	2	...	...	2	2	2	91	103	...	12
Snow, Watauga	363	13	11	10	4	...	...	1	2	1	1	108	118	...	10
Linville, Avery	489	18	15	19	...	1	...	...	2	...	2	89	107	...	18
Vesper, Mitchell	554	13	10	10	4	7	...	...	2	1	...	84	102	...	18
Cranberry, Avery	598	11	8	9	2	2	...	...	6	2	1	114	119	...	5
		69	56	61	11	12	...	1	14	6	6	486	549	...	63

## 41—WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—Haywood County

Waynesville, Haywood .....	259	13	12	7	1	2	...	4	4	2	1	158	158	...	...
Pigeon River, Haywood .....	386	25	25	28	2	2	...	...	1	6	4	138	163	...	25
Clyde, Haywood .....	453	16	15	13	1	3	...	...	...	2	1	61	76	...	15
Sonoma, Haywood .....	472	12	11	11	2	3	...	...	1	2	3	61	74	...	13
		66	63	59	6	10	...	4	6	12	9	418	471	...	53

## 42—SYLVA DISTRICT—Jackson, Macon and Swain Counties

Junaluska, Macon	145	14	18	14	5	...	...	1	4	3	7	122	133	...	11
East La Port, Jackson	358	10	5	5	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	72	78	...	6
Oconee, Swain	427	13	14	13	...	8	...	...	2	4	...	121	136	...	15
Blue Ridge, Macon	435	10	10	11	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	37	48	...	11
Dillsboro, Jackson	459	24	25	24	2	1	...	...	1	3	...	122	145	...	23
Glenville, Jackson	551	2	5	5	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	44	49	...	5
		73	77	72	11	10	...	2	9	11	9	518	589	...	71

## 43—MURPHY DISTRICT—Cherokee, Clay, and Graham Counties

Cherokee, Cherokee	146	21	17	18	7	9	...	2	2	3	7	80	107	...	27
Clay, Clay	301	24	27	24	3	1	...	...	...	3	3	102	127	...	25
Montgomery, Cherokee	426	11	10	9	3	5	...	...	1	3	2	93	106	...	13
Marble Spring, Cherokee	439	5	9	7	1	2	...	3	1	...	1	34	40	...	6
Unaka, Cherokee	506	2	4	4	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	69	72	...	3
Andrews, Cherokee	529	14	12	10	2	2	...	1	2	3	5	97	105	...	8
Robbinsville, Graham	672	18	17	19	2	...	...	...	10	2	5	118	127	...	9
		95	96	91	18	20	...	7	17	14	23	593	684	...	91

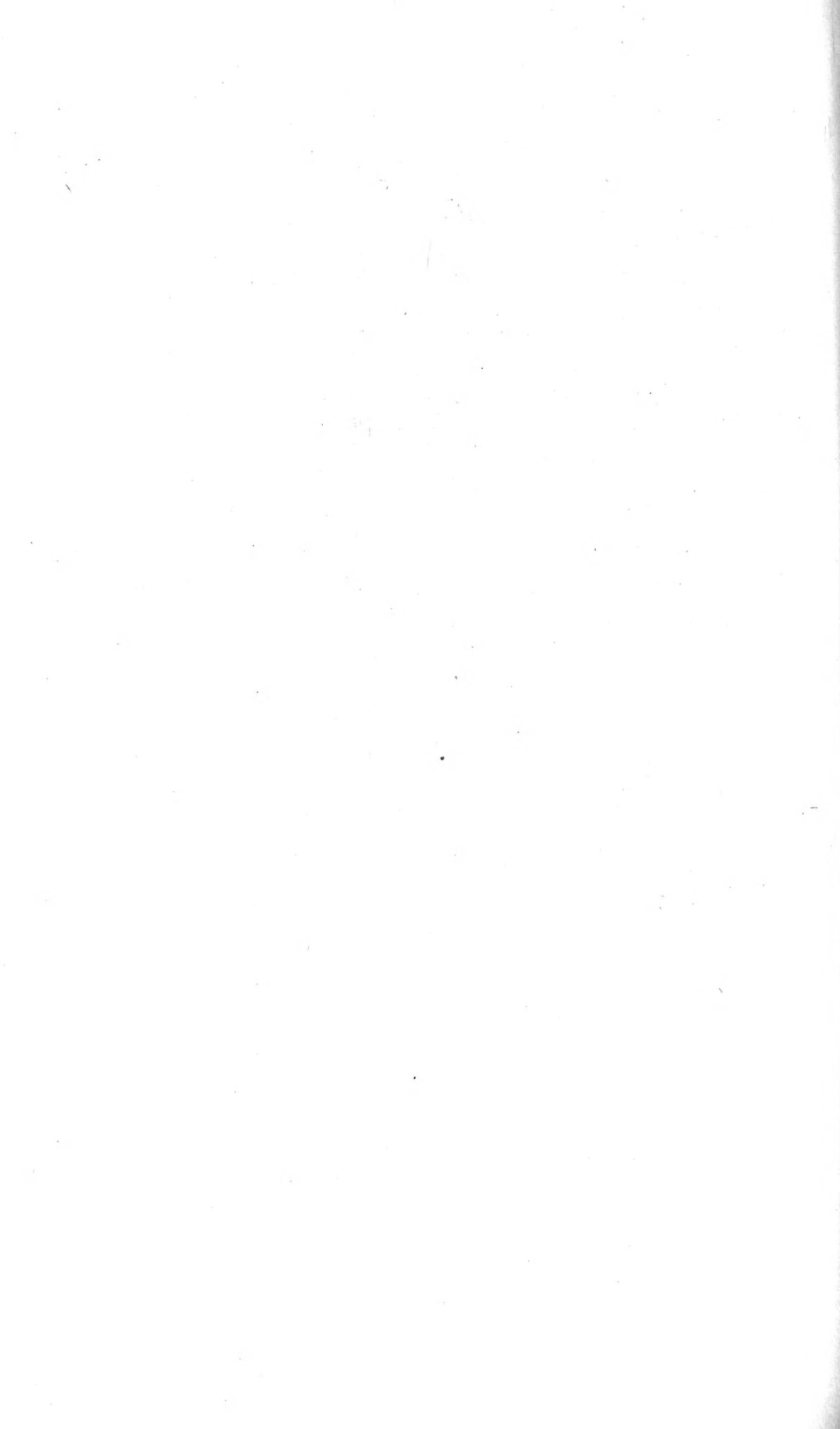
## 44—RUTHERFORDTON DISTRICT—McDowell and Rutherford Counties

Western Star, Rutherford	91	16	16	15	1	1	...	3	2	1	...	75	86	...	11
Mystic Tie, McDowell	237	15	14	17	5	...	...	...	3	1	1	147	165	...	18
Forest City, Rutherford	381	8	8	8	2	7	...	...	1	1	1	76	91	...	15
Joppa, McDowell	401	9	8	10	2	1	...	...	2	2	...	45	54	...	9
Cliffside, Rutherford	460	18	20	18	5	2	...	...	...	...	1	65	90	...	25
Hollis, Rutherford	535	5	8	9	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	35	43	...	8
Spindale, Rutherford	673	18	19	13	4	...	...	...	...	1	1	80	96	...	16
		89	93	90	20	11	...	3	9	7	4	523	625	...	102

## RECAPITULATION OF ABSTRACT OF RETURNS FROM SUBORDINATE LODGES

For the Masonic Year Ending December 31, 1946, by Districts

DISTRICT	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
1 Elizabeth City...	99	89	82	16	5	---	---	16	17	23	921	991	---	70
2 Windsor.....	63	51	51	14	2	---	2	7	7	15	545	596	---	51
3 Plymouth.....	108	111	117	19	5	---	---	39	9	34	778	871	10	103
4 Halifax.....	85	85	86	16	10	---	2	10	15	24	831	916	---	85
5 Greenville.....	82	92	95	15	12	---	---	8	15	13	689	788	---	99
6 Kinston.....	127	125	135	17	7	---	5	23	15	27	976	1092	---	116
7 New Bern.....	180	171	166	12	9	---	6	27	19	54	1303	1438	3	138
8 Eliminated.....														
9 Clinton.....	127	114	114	23	4	---	4	45	10	21	876	958	17	99
10 Wilmington.....	250	254	252	55	14	1	1	46	34	77	1856	2095	---	239
11 Lumberton.....	78	72	66	22	10	---	11	17	11	20	583	642	---	59
12 Rockingham.....	90	84	87	32	14	1	2	16	15	17	751	850	---	99
13 Sanford.....	65	63	61	15	5	---	3	8	14	15	684	740	---	56
14 Fayetteville.....	213	204	178	83	9	---	2	81	18	44	1173	1342	---	169
15 Raleigh.....	129	115	107	22	10	---	2	14	21	10	967	1069	---	102
16 Apex.....	107	95	94	16	10	---	---	11	26	21	920	1003	1	84
17 Wilson.....	49	31	38	24	6	---	---	10	14	12	585	629	7	51
18 Rocky Mount.....	61	58	61	18	6	1	---	10	13	25	558	619	---	61
19 Henderson.....	66	51	50	10	6	---	1	7	9	12	500	549	---	49
20 Oxford.....	49	47	52	10	4	---	---	7	8	6	407	458	---	51
21 Durham.....	138	125	129	27	18	---	4	17	20	33	1526	1659	---	133
22 Eliminated.....														
23 Greensboro.....	353	320	311	51	49	---	4	29	27	73	2479	2830	---	351
24 Asheboro.....	66	58	52	12	3	---	1	8	4	12	411	465	---	54
25 Salisbury.....	216	225	222	31	15	---	---	21	25	67	1908	2130	---	222
26 Monroe.....	52	44	42	10	9	---	2	3	8	8	430	478	---	48
27 Charlotte.....	337	323	325	107	34	---	4	57	29	74	2147	2523	---	376
28 Gastonia.....	231	216	222	28	24	---	2	23	25	41	1324	1548	---	224
29 Statesville.....	91	77	82	7	6	---	1	9	11	6	675	749	---	74
30 Winston Salem.....	155	136	140	21	17	---	3	16	25	13	1174	1308	---	134
31 Elkin.....	65	59	61	5	5	---	4	6	7	15	543	597	1	55
32 Eliminated.....														
33 Wilkesboro.....	39	31	27	6	5	---	---	1	5	4	349	381	---	32
34 Jefferson.....	10	6	8	3	3	---	---	5	1	1	204	212	---	8
35 Eliminated.....														
36 Hickory.....	157	137	132	30	7	---	3	7	7	17	939	1091	---	152
37 Shelby.....	71	71	72	14	17	---	---	12	13	18	731	809	2	80
38 Hendersonville.....	81	60	59	20	8	---	3	6	8	18	625	695	---	70
39 Asheville.....	153	135	136	46	20	---	3	19	15	14	1164	1329	---	165
40 Spruce Pine.....	69	56	61	11	12	---	1	14	6	6	486	549	---	63
41 Waynesville.....	66	63	59	6	10	---	4	6	12	9	418	471	---	53
42 Sylva.....	73	77	72	11	10	---	2	9	11	9	518	589	---	71
43 Murphy.....	95	96	91	18	20	---	7	17	14	23	593	684	---	91
44 Rutherfordton.....	89	93	90	20	11	---	3	9	7	4	523	625	---	102
	4635	4320	4285	922	451	3	92	696	570	935	35070	39367	41	4338
Decrease In State..														41
Net Increase-----														4297



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## DO WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO NEGRO FREEMASONRY?

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No one realizes more than I do that this is a difficult question to discuss. Since I have been thinking about it and studying it in the preparation of this address, I realize it more than I did when I agreed to attempt to discuss it at this Grand Masters' Conference. When M. W. Samuel H. Wragg, Grand Master of Massachusetts, and Chairman of the Committee on Program, wrote me requesting me to talk on this subject, I realized that I was getting myself into something, but not as much then as I do now. The fact that I immediately replied that I would accept the assignment does not constitute me a brave man, but arises from the habit that country lawyers, of which I am one, get into of taking cases as they come, some easy, some average, and some hard. We get in the habit, due in part perhaps to our economic condition, but due in larger part to the desire to render service and aid whenever and wherever we can.

I wrote M. W. Brother Wragg that I had never given this subject anything more than casual thinking, but that since it had been assigned me, I would attempt to give it study and talk on it as best I could. The more I have studied it, the more interesting it has become, and the more I have realized that it is a difficult and delicate subject to discuss. In defense of myself, let me say in the beginning that if any of you disagree with what I shall say, and I am sure some of you will, and feel disposed before I finish, or after I finish, to give evidence of your displeasure, that I did not invite myself to talk on this subject, which brings to my mind the incident as told of a speaker who had been invited by the chairman of a meeting to speak in a western town. The audience was well sprinkled with cowboys. After being introduced by the Chairman, the speaker proceeded to deliver what he thought was a good speech. After a time he noticed that



a cowboy on the end of the front row took out one of his guns and began to toy with it affectionately. The speaker continued with his speech, watching said cowboy out of the corner of his eye. After a time, the cowboy got his hand on the handle of the pistol, his finger lightly on the trigger, and sort of waved the barrel in the general direction of the stage. The speaker stopped his speech, and looked at the cowboy evidencing fright. The cowboy said to him: "That's all right, my friend, go right ahead with your speech; you're doing the best you can. I've got this for the guy who is responsible for you being here." Most Worshipful Brother Wragg is the man.

May I also say, in the beginning, that I lay no claim whatever to being an authority on this subject; on the contrary far from it. There are many here more competent to talk about this matter than I am, particularly those more versed in Masonic history, and especially the history of Negro Freemasonry. What I have to say here is the result of my own thinking, and the result of the study I have made since this subject was assigned me. I have read everything I have been able to find on the question, and I have the Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of Grand Lodges in this country, and Brother Samuel H. Baynard, Jr., Grand Secretary-General of the Supreme Council, Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, to thank for assistance in the way of reading matter, and giving me their opinions on this subject. I wrote the Grand Secretary of each of the Grand Lodges in this country for the attitude of their Grand Lodges on this subject, and every one of them, or the Grand Master, was gracious enough to answer, in some cases, setting forth their thoughts on the subject, as requested by me. This was not requested for the purpose of fitting my talk to the opinion of the majority, but to learn from other men what they thought about this matter.

Some say that this question should not come before this Conference, which has no power to legislate, and that a discussion will serve only to agitate. Some say that Negro Masonry is clandestine and no more. Some say it is a subject that we shall have to think about later, but that there is nothing to do about it now. Others say that

we owe Negro Masonry no obligation; others say we owe it the obligation to leave it alone and not meddle in its affairs. Others say we should recognize the origin of Prince Hall Negro Masonry to be legitimate and regular in the light of Masonic law and usage of that day. Many say that we should recognize that the Negro Masons are Masons, work in parallel lines, but permit of no intervisitation. As one man says: "Let them have their Masonry, and we'll have ours."

The question does not necessarily mean "Do We Have an Obligation to Formally Recognize Negro Freemasonry?" as we understand "recognition." Do we, as regular Masons of regularly constituted lodges working under the jurisdiction of regularly constituted Grand Lodges have an obligation to Negro Masons of so-called Negro Lodges and Grand Lodges? If so what?

There are Negro lodges and Grand Lodges besides those of the Prince Hall Affiliation. They grew up in different ways, and called themselves Masons. The Prince Hall Group lays claim to legitimacy of origin, and authenticity, and of being lawfully constituted. This group gets its name from the name of the Master of its first lodge, Prince Hall, Master of African Lodge No. 459 in Boston, chartered by the Grand Lodge of England in 1784, its members having been initiated by a travelling army lodge. Yet, it must be remembered that there was a Provincial Grand Lodge in Massachusetts at the time. African Lodge No. 459 subsequently created other subordinate lodges in Philadelphia, Penna., and Providence, Rhode Island, and the lodges so set up formed themselves into a Grand Lodge in 1791. African Lodge was erased from the British Roll in 1813. Harry E. Davis, who has just written a very good work called "A History of Freemasonry Among Negroes in America," and many of our learned white brethren, contend that this was done because this lodge was now a subordinate lodge of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge. Most Worshipful Brother Melvin M. Johnson, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Jurisdiction, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, who has given meticulous and careful examination

of the facts concerning Negro Freemasonry in America, says:

"The Grand Lodge of England found it necessary in 1813, at the time of the Union, to revise its list of particular lodges. It then made up a new list and dropped from that list all of the lodges in what was then the United States which had been previously on the English list. Dropping these lodges was not in any sense a denial of their legitimacy,—they were dropped merely because they were no longer dependent upon the Grand Lodge of England but had either died out or had become affiliated with or a part of Grand Lodges in the United States. There were about seventy of them, and African Lodge was not treated any differently, for instance, than St. John's Lodge of Boston, which has a continuous existence since 1733, but which nevertheless had not been stricken from the list until 1813."

Masonic students also question seriously the authority of a chartered subordinate lodge, given such powers by the Grand Lodge which chartered it as is given to subordinate lodges, *and such only*, to go about setting up other lodges. If this can be done, every subordinate lodge is a Grand Lodge unto itself, can set up a number of lodges and then assemble them into and constitute a Grand Lodge. This can lead to no one knows what. Further, let us not forget that when African Lodge 459 attempted to set up a lodge at Providence and Philadelphia, there was a Grand Lodge in each of these colonies or states, and by so doing, African Lodge 459 invaded the jurisdiction of these two Grand Lodges. This is analogous to the lodge of which I am a member, Greenville 284, in Greenville, North Carolina, setting up a lodge in some town in Massachusetts and another in Florida, and then the three forming themselves into a so-called Grand Lodge. However, it is contended that this was in accordance with Masonic usage and custom of that day, and should be so judged.

I, for one, am not as sold on the lawfulness of Prince Hall Negro Masonry as some of my brethren. Its first lodge was chartered in a jurisdiction of a Provincial

Grand Lodge already existing; wherever it has gone, it has invaded the jurisdiction of other Grand Lodges.

In an article recently written by Illustrious Brother John H. Cowles, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council 33°, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, and soon to be published in the "New Age," it is said:

"The date of this Charter (African Lodge) was after the treaty of peace with England in 1783 by which the independence and sovereignty of these States were recognized. It was also eight years after the Massachusetts Grand Lodge was formed (March 8th, 1777), and had declared the Masonic independence of the Masons of this Commonwealth, whereby the duties of self-government were assumed by the Masons of this Commonwealth, which they have continued to exercise to the present time. Thus this Charter proceeded from a foreign source, which had no political authority in the country, where alone it was directed to be used, and which had no Masonic right there; for the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts had been for years in the possession of the Masons of the Commonwealth. It is admitted that this Charter was never recognized by any Lodge in Massachusetts. Certainly, after the evacuation of Boston, March 17th, 1776, there is no pretense that England had any control in Massachusetts."

Be that as it may, I am not too much concerned about that. I mention this only to show that, in my opinion, we do not owe the Prince Hall Affiliation any more obligation than other groups, if they teach and practice the true Masonic art. Many Masonic students think that we should counsel and cooperate with the Prince Hall Affiliation as against other Negro Masonic Groups. Why should we meddle in the affairs of conflicting groups or affiliations of Negro Masons when we do not officially or formally recognize any of them? If the Prince Hall Masons are entitled to more consideration at our hands, it is because of the true Masonic principles they teach and practice, and that only.

In considering this matter, we cannot and should not consider it except in the Masonic light. In doing so, we recur to the fundamentals, and in so doing the first thing that occurs to us is "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." This we must profess to believe in order to be made Masons, and we do believe it, in sincerity and in earnestness. If God be our Father, man must be our Brother. We prove our sincere belief in the Fatherhood of God by treating our fellow human beings as our brothers. I am reminded of the first tenet of a Mason: "By the exercise of brotherly love, we learn to regard the whole human species, the high and the low, the rich and the poor, as one family, who as created by one Almighty Parent, are to love, protect, and support one another. On this principle, Masonry unites men of every country, sect, and opinion, and conciliates true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance." Masonry is an honorable fraternity, "honorable, as tending in every particular so to render all men who will be conformable to its precepts."

Then I am reminded of certain symbols in Masonry in which are clothed some of its sublimest truths. We are told in the Fellowcraft's Degree that the globes "further denote the Universality of Masonry." I am reminded of the Form of a Lodge, which "is symbolically said to be of such vast dimensions as to denote the universality of Masonry." And I am also forcibly reminded of a Masonic symbol which has always greatly impressed me; "A Masonic Lodge is a symbol of the world." These symbols speak for themselves, louder, stronger and more eloquently than any attempted explanation of them I could make. May we also not forget the fourth cardinal virtue—Justice—referred to by Most Worshipful Brother Hartman, Grand Master of Oregon, in his able address on the subject of Clandestine Masonry at this Conference last year. In the light of these great truths which we learned at the altar of Masonry, and which we teach our candidates, and cause ourselves to recur to, let us consider this matter.

Also, let us consider it in the light of hard facts and



realities. Shall we require a consolidation of white and Negro Masonry? Recognizing the doctrine of exclusive territorial jurisdiction, as we do, can and shall we officially and formally recognize the Negro Grand Lodges that have invaded our jurisdiction? To do so, we must forget the doctrine of exclusive territorial jurisdiction. Shall we heal the Masons of the Negro race and absorb them into our sodality? The Negro Masons themselves do not want this, or those of the Prince Hall Affiliation do not, according to Harry E. Davis, Negro Masonic historian heretofore referred to. In his aforementioned history, he says:

“Organizations, being made up of human beings, cannot translate into action ideals which are beyond the capacity of their component members. Amalgamation or absorption is inexpedient at this time; such an event will have to await the slow attrition of time for the solution of the entire question of race relationships in America. Moreover, the Prince Hall Mason is not especially eager for a solution which would destroy his historic institution. After all, there is a virtue in the independence he now enjoys and which he would lose by absorption. Nor is he particularly eager for formal recognition, since he knows its denial does not affect his true status.

“Probably the only practical or feasible action at this time is to borrow from the usages of diplomacy and establish an entente cordiale between white and colored Masons. This implies mutual respect and consideration between both groups and will not run counter to prejudices or dogmas which may exist in the white Fraternity. In fact, such a status exists today informally in many jurisdictions; it can be accelerated by the conduct of individual Masons. Such a status involves only fraternal cordiality, sympathetic understanding, and tacit recognition of the historic legitimacy of the Prince Hall sodality. It would tend to make American Masonry consistent and would clarify the position of colored Masons in the eyes of puzzled fraters outside of America.

“Even such a mild proposal as this may be too great an advance to project today. Timid American Masons may still be fearful of re-opening a discussion which



might rekindle the ashes of old and vexatious controversies. The counsel of 'let sleeping dogs lie' may be invoked and may prevail. If such is the case, it can be speedily determined, and the matter held in abeyance for a more enlightened and courageous generation. But even sleeping dogs will not lie forever, and wisdom and good counsel indicate the folly of temporizing where Masonic justice and harmony are at stake. And there are signs that a considerable body of informed American Masons are ready for such a step."

Masons in other Grand Jurisdictions have told me, and it is also my observation, that it is generally the better type of Negro who is interested in Masonry, and who becomes a Mason. It is a settled fact that their work is almost, and sometimes wholly, like ours. It is generally the more intelligent Negro who is interested in becoming a Mason. Masonry appeals to the better nature of a man of another race as it does to one of the white race. In my practice of law, in a state where a sizable portion of the population is composed of Negroes, I have come to respect the industry and make up of the better class Negro, those who are concerned with improving their lot. They realize, as I think we realize, that the improvement of the condition and lot of the Negro shall, in large part, come from within himself. He appreciates help, but he knows he must do the most of what is necessary himself, even if the help comes from On High. There was a Negro in my county who bought a farm on a shoestring from a land bank a number of years ago, a farm which the land bank had had to take in because of default of the previous owner. This Negro was ambitious to improve his condition and that of his family, and to rise above his then lot. He moved on his farm, and he and his family went to work with assiduity to clean up the farm, repair the run-down buildings, clean out and shrub the ditches, and put the farm in good condition. This they did, and it soon did not look like the same place at all. He and his wife, a daughter and three boys worked hard to do this. In July the preacher came to see him one Sunday after church. After dinner, Shadrack took the pastor around the farm, and with pride showed him the house,

the stable, the barn, the tobacco barns, the ditches, the fields and the growing crops. The preacher exclaimed at each thing that his host would point out to him: "Yes Sir, Brother Jones, the Lord has been mighty good to you." He said this several times. Finally, as the preacher was getting in his second-hand Ford to leave, he surveyed the whole farm and epitomized: "Yes Sir, Brother Jones, you sho' has a nice farm. The Lord has sho been good to you." Shadrack said: "That's right, Parson, but you ought to've seen this farm when the Lord was tending it by himself."

"Do We Owe an Oligation to Negro Freemasonry?" Yes, the obligation to let the Negro have his Masonry if he wants it. If Masonry will make him a better man, let him have it. If it is good for the white man, it is good for the Negro. This without formal recognition as we interpret it, and intervisitation but recognizing that Negro Masons are Masons, as we recognize that Negro Christians are Christians. Let them have their own lodges and Grand Lodges, and let us have ours, as we have had. I think they will be better satisfied if we do not attempt to meddle in their affairs or to absorb them.

We owe every man the right of life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, the right of education, to make a living, to improve his lot, to better his condition in life. So it is with Negro Masonry. It will make the Negro a better man, as it will make the white man a better man. The Jews thought that religion was only for them, but when the Messiah came, he told them and showed them that salvation was for all men, that God loved all men. Shall we of the Christian Faith today say that it is not for the Negro? Shall we deny the Negro the right of Salvation? He does not go to the same church, but he goes to a church of the same faith, that teaches the same thing. Who would deny him that? It makes him a better man. Shall we say that a Negro shall not receive the lessons of Masonry? If we do say so, it will not make any difference. But should we wish to deny him the great moral truths as taught in the Masonic degrees? As he goes to his church, he can go to his lodge; the white man will go to his church, and he will go to his lodge. The white church

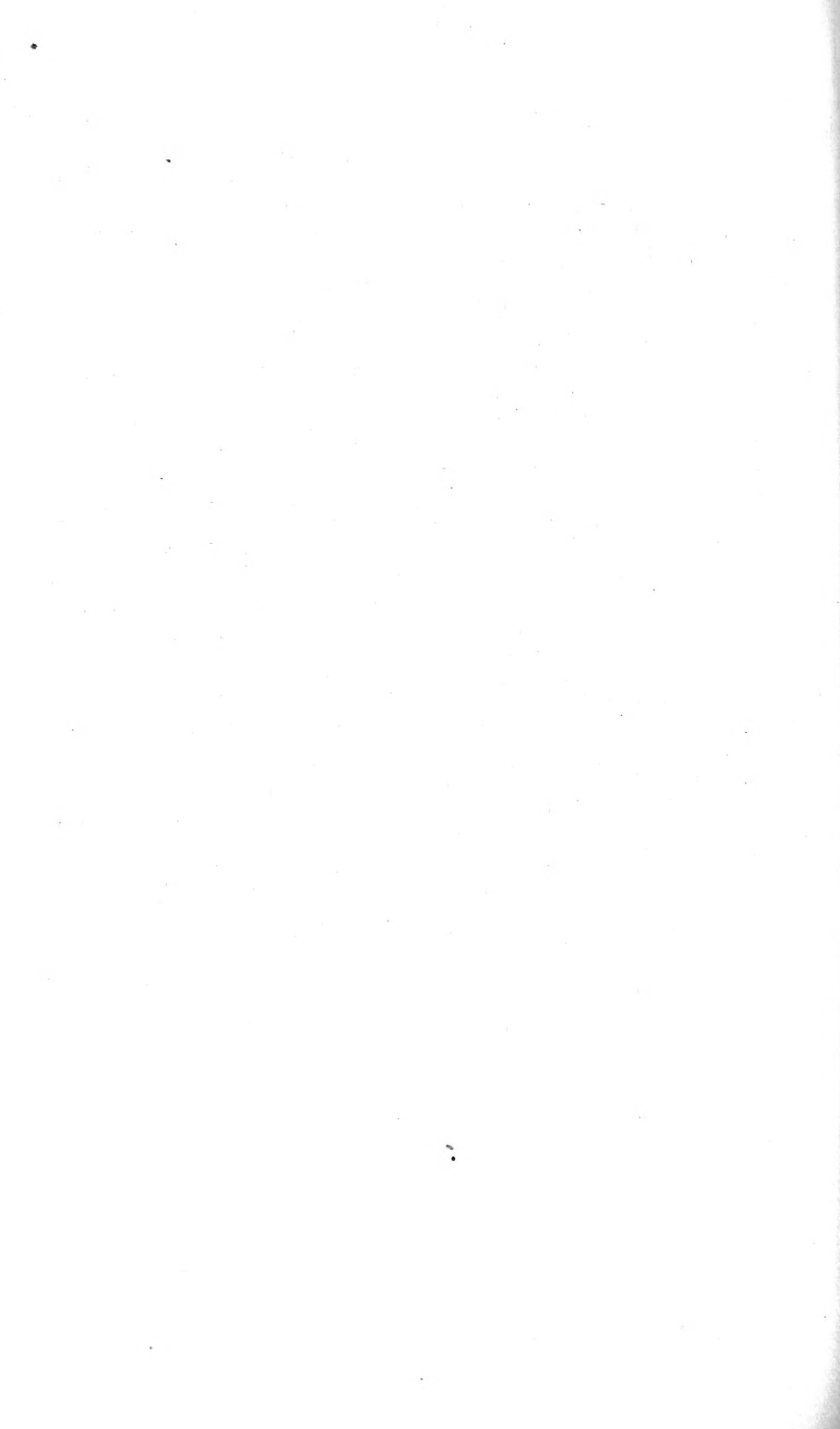
and the Negro church of the same denomination do not meet together at the same church conference. This is the way I believe we should look on this thing as of now. They can be of mutual help to each other, each working toward the same end and in his own lodge. If the white Mason wants to help informally with counsel and advice, let him do so.

I am reminded here of what the Master says when we go to ballot: "——Vote for the good of Masonry." This attitude I believe to be for the good of Masonry, our Masonry, with which we are first concerned, and the Negro's Masonry, whether it be of the Prince Hall Affiliation or what not. I may be wrong, but this is my idea.

A Negro man was being tried in Court for mayhem. The testimony developed that he had almost completely cut his adversary's nose off with a razor; after getting him down, he stomped his teeth out with his foot and then in the ensuing tussle, he bit off his left ear. After his conviction, the Judge told him to stand up, and said: "Sam, this is the most brutal, heinous crime I have ever known of since I have been on the bench. The devil himself must have prompted you to do this dastardly thing. The demons of hell must have swarmed around you and urged you on, too. What have you to say for yourself?" Sam scratched his head and said: "Mr. Jedge, Yer Honor, I 'specs you is right. It did seem like I heard the devil er telling me to cut dat nigger's nose off; it seems like dey was sumpin' swarming around me er singing at me to stomp dat nigger's teeth out. But, Jedge, I wants to be honest wid dis Court. Biting off his ear was my own idea."

In the words of Most Worshipful Charles Griswold, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in 1876:

"It is always proper for Masons to inquire into their relations with the world at large, and to ask themselves the question, whether, by their manner of treating their fellow beings, they are carrying out the spirit of our institution, not only negatively, but positively."



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## THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

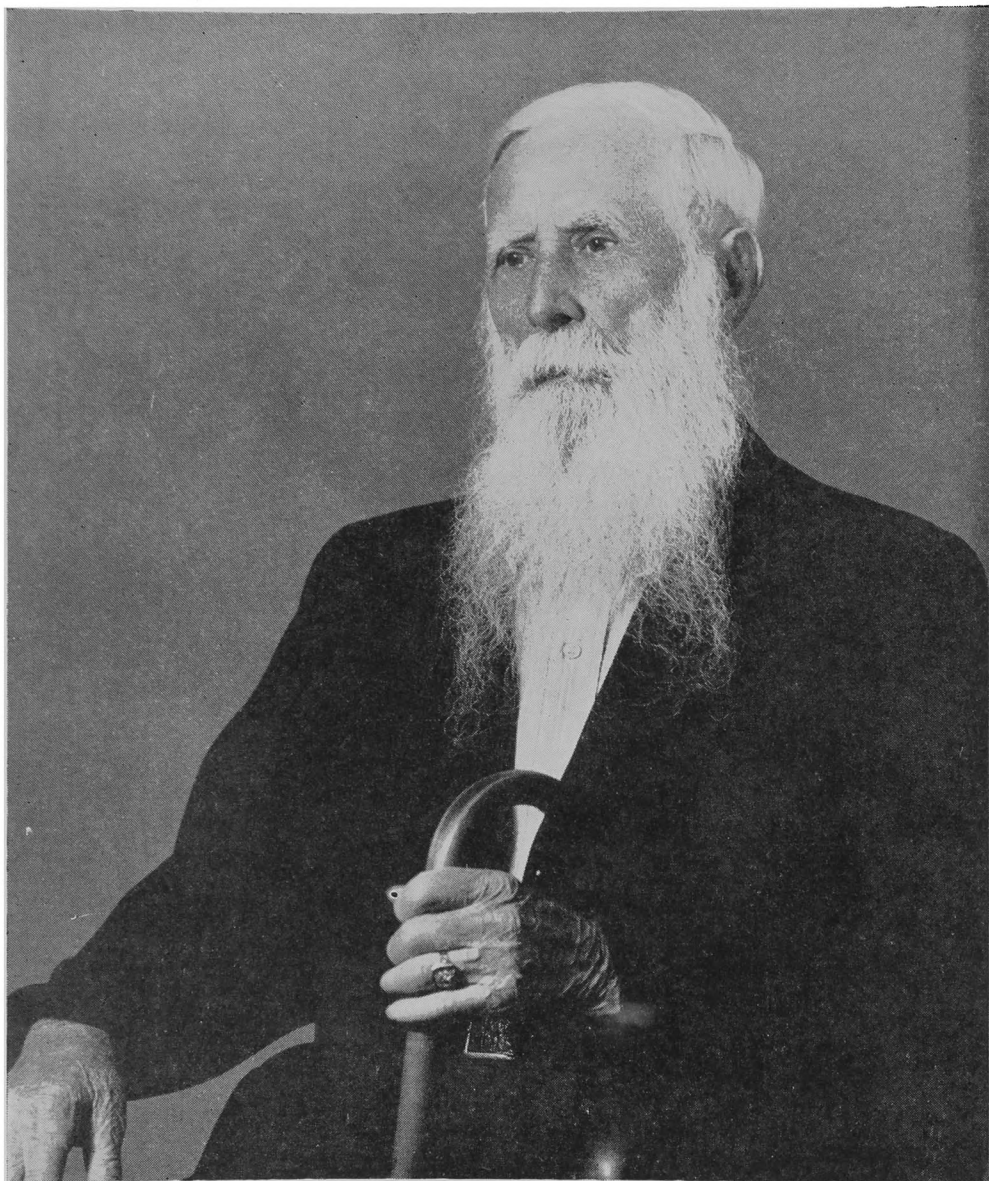
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When this scribe was first appointed to write the Foreign Correspondence Report for the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, in the year 1923, it was the well nigh universal custom that the Foreign Correspondent should take the Proceedings of each Grand Lodge, each year, separately and write an abstract of what he found therein. The total of these abstracts was the Report on Foreign Correspondence. This custom had been in vogue for many years. In general, it was a good custom and it is worthy of continuation at the present time, with certain modifications and within certain limitations.

The Foreign Correspondent was prone to yield to any or all of several temptations in preparing such a report. First of all, not every Foreign Correspondent after the most painstaking study and abstracting, could make a document of any interest out of what he had. In plain language, twenty five years ago, unfortunately too many of these reports were so devoid of interest that their readers were few and infrequent. The rank and file of Masons who thus received the Proceedings and found this report not to be interesting to them, simply declared and avowed that to print it was a waste of money. And to a large extent it was.

The Foreign Correspondent on the other hand was tempted to use his Foreign Correspondence Report to criticize his Masonic associates in other Grand Lodges. We have to confess that we have on file some Foreign Correspondence Reports in which this scribe was thus criticized, and such criticisms were totally uncalled for and accomplished no useful purpose. We have also read reports not a few in which the Foreign Correspondent severely criticized a Grand Master of another Grand Lodge than his own, on account of some act or some decision; some omission or some general attitude. This we confess we have never allowed ourselves the privilege of doing. We confess that at sundry times we have poked





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some fun at other Foreign Correspondents, or at Grand Secretaries, or others. This scribe has that sixth sense known as the "sense of Humor"; and he hopes that it will never be blunted, nor perverted. He hopes that it will never be other than kindly. We confess that we have in the passing of the years seen some things in the books of Proceedings which have made us hot all over. Verily in commenting on them we could have made the printed page sizzle. But this was not our function. In all such cases we have gone no further than quote the facts, either without comment or with it only to the extent of comparison with what the ordinary course would have been in our own jurisdiction. Nay verily, we have seen some things in the books through the years that we did not deem it wise even to quote or to mention. There are things which one finds in his own backyard which he hopes his neighbors will not even talk about; and in such cases we have simply put ourselves in the place of the neighbor in Masonry, and refused to notice what we believed our Masonic neighbors of good will could wish to have pass unnoticed and subsequently decently buried. For Freemasonry is of the finer things of life, and it ill becomes one who writes in the name of Masonry to go out hunting for smut and ill will.

On the other hand, we have at all times felt free to express our own opinions, in genial, constructive and courteous manner, with respect to what we have seen. We have always felt free to say to our North Carolina readers, "Our Masonic friends in the Grand Lodge of X state do not do it as we do; Here's how they do it; perhaps we may have the way which suits us best."

This Foreign Correspondent has never loaned his work to any group as a propaganda medium; we write for all Masons in this state and seek to advance the cause of no group save that of good Master Masons everywhere. We have invited every other Foreign Correspondent to comment on our work as much as he pleased, and in his own way; but it has always been clearly understood that we write for our North Carolinians alone.

In way of summary, if this report is to be worth

while, it is to bring to our North Carolinians some thoughts from what is going on in Freemasonry outside this state. To accomplish this, the writer feels free to inject his personal views, merely to start the reader to thinking along his own lines. We ask nobody to agree with us.

As we look back over the books which we have read and reviewed, we are struck with the statesmanlike viewpoints of the presiding officers through the years. In some manner to be explained in many ways, Grand Lodges have been able to choose with the fewest exceptions men of large size and great competence to preside over them. In like manner, their Grand Secretaries have been very excellent servants of the Craft. This last is really remarkable, for it would have been quite easy to make a serious mistake in selecting a Grand Secretary, when the job is not unattractive and men with powerful friends around them are not always those best fitted for the position.

### WHAT ARE THEY TALKING AND WRITING ABOUT?

We have on more than one occasion commented on what we have seen fit to call "Styles in Freemasonry". That is to say, for a period of two or three years the Grand Masters will with the fewest exceptions comment on the same things. Then these will be forgotten, and a new cycle of topics will come to the front.

Naturally, at the present time, there is quite universal comment upon the great increase in the number of Masons which has occurred during the past five years. It is really a matter of outstanding importance. For, following the First World War and the great increases in Masonic membership which came at its end, there was that terrible nightmare called the Great Depression; there was also a great loss in Masonic membership which began before there was any Depression. We lost six hundred thousand Master Masons in the United States alone in those years. Then the tide turned. At the time of the writing of these lines, the increases are still being

universally reported. In certain of the groups connected with the American Masonic system, the membership today is greater than it has ever been before. Within a year or two, if the increases do not dry up, the Grand Lodges will go past their former high records, of about three and a quarter million Master Masons on the rolls in good standing. The burning question today is, How can we Reduce the Losses in the Postwar Period? This report therefore has included a scholarly discussion of this subject, delivered to the Conference of Grand Masters.

Another subject that Masons are thinking about is that of Automatic Suspensions. What is the best way in which to handle the problem of uncollected dues? Should we let a man not paying his dues run on at the pleasure of his Lodge, giving this the privilege of suspending such a brother; or should we write it into the law that if one fails or refuses to pay his dues he shall stand automatically suspended by his own failure? We are including in this report a discussion by a Grand Secretary which was prepared for the Conference of Grand Secretaries in 1947.

Then again, what is the best way to provide for the man who moves his residence and wishes to, or ought to, transfer his Masonic membership also? It appears that no perfect way of handling this has ever been devised; that is, no way which does not in some specific instances prove to be open to criticism. Our friend Brother Harry Bundy, Grand Secretary in Colorado, has written a paper on this matter which is both informative and interesting; and we give our readers the benefit of it.

In the war days, waivers of jurisdiction and courtesy work got a lot of attention. The former is discussed by a Mason who knew his Masonry exceedingly well, Brother Winthrop Buck of Connecticut, who knows the subject very well. His study will be of much interest, for many do not understand the underlying principles.

The Grand Secretaries also wanted information concerning the existence of dual and plural membership in the several Grand Lodges of this continent. This is a

subject with respect to which the most of Masons are not open to much change of their concepts. Grand Lodges which forbid dual and plural membership seldom change their attitude; Grand Lodges which permit it do not feel the need for any discussion of it; it is simply their custom and nobody thinks of abandoning it. The table showing what the practice is in the states and provinces, printed in the Proceedings of the Grand Secretaries organization, is printed herewith as a matter of information.

There has been general interest in the subject of Negro Masonry. The Grand Master of North Carolina, Brother Bundy, was asked to discuss Freemasonry's obligation to Negro Masonry, if there is such, for the Grand Masters' Conference. (This address will be found in the Appendix).

We hope, if we are called upon to prepare a report as Foreign Correspondent in the years before us, to prepare an extensive review of each of the books of Proceedings again at an early date. At this time, printing paper is too hard to get, to permit that luxury even if the time were otherwise propitious.

#### THE EFFECT OF THE WAR ON THE FUTURE OF FREEMASONRY

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Lest there be any doubt in your minds on the point, please be assured that my selection to present this topic is not based on any claim or assumption that I have the gift of prophecy. Moreover, if any current Grand Master were so endowed, he would have been handed the assignment, I am sure.

Nevertheless, trying to predict the future is a daily occurrence in all our lives. The merchant stocks his shelves with goods that he expects to sell in the season that lies ahead. The physician who sees a patient states his prognosis; his opinion as to the probable outcome of the illness in question. The banker when he grants a loan to a client is in essence predicting that the borrower will be able to repay the money on a specified date.

Nor are these merely shrewd guesses; they are conclusions based on a knowledge of existing facts and past experience. The merchant knows that a given season will bring demands for certain kinds of goods. That physician gives the most accurate prognosis who has had the largest experience with that type of case. Present and past are causes; the future is the effect.



It is, therefore, logical to approach the question of the effect of the war on the future of Free Masonry by studying what has happened under such circumstances in the past.

Our country has experienced three wars that by reason of their duration and the percentage of our population engaged might be compared with the recent war, the war of the Revolution, the Civil War, and World War I.

The Revolutionary War is far removed both in time and circumstances from the conditions of today. There are few statistics of very few Grand Lodges available for study. Therefore, no sweeping conclusions can be based on the data at hand.

Nevertheless, there is no doubt that the development of Free Masonry in this country was profoundly and favorably influenced by that war.

Moreover, not only are the factors responsible for that influence well understood, but those same factors or ones that are comparable, have been operative in all our wars, including the last. Therefore, they are worthy of a brief consideration.

Many of the military leaders of the Revolution were members of the Craft. It need not be emphasized how important their example was in sowing the seed of interest in Free Masonry.

What is more important, those leaders made known their membership on numerous and significant occasions to the public as well as to their brethren.

I shall cite only one of them:

Brother Washington visited in Masonic Lodges in various parts of the country and whenever opportunity offered. In 1778, St. John the Evangelist's Day fell on Sunday. The next day Brother Washington walked in a Masonic procession through the streets of Philadelphia, then the largest of our cities, to Christ Church to attend a service of thanksgiving, arranged by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in celebration of the recent evacuation of the city by the British.

There he heard the sermon preached by the Reverend William Smith, Provost of the College of Philadelphia (later called the University of Pennsylvania) and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ancient York Masons (he had formerly been Grand Chaplain of the "Moderns").

Such example could not but impress both soldiers and civilians.

The military Lodges that functioned in their midst brought Free Masonry to the attention of many soldiers who joined the fraternity. Such lodges were warranted by both of the Grand Lodges then in Massachusetts, by the Grand Lodge of New York, and the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The latter, both by reason of its central location in the chief city in which so many army units sojourned, as well as its fine disregard for geographic limitations of jurisdiction (Laughter)

never heard of, let alone ever thought of being there, and yet after proving himself a Mason, has found himself as welcome as in his own home Lodge, he has no conception of what a thrill it is to be a Mason.

This finding of kindred souls by one another, strangers though they were up to the moment of meeting, and drawn from the opposite quarters of the globe, is not lost on their non-Masonic companions.

The non-Mason notices another significant thing:

There is nothing democratic about an Army or a Navy. There is a chasm between officers and enlisted men that no amount of civilian criticism or so-called Army reform can ever wholly set aside.

Moreover, the private, first-class, lords it over the mere private as completely as does the five-star general. A chief boat-swain's mate is more autocratic than any Admiral. It must be so; military efficiency demands obedience to command.

It is therefore all the more striking in the armed forces to see the complete disappearance of any distinction of rank or rate when Masons foregather as such, not only in a tyled lodge, but in a Masonic Club where non-Masons might be present, or in a liberty party of Masons bound for such a meeting.

The Admiral and the Seaman, Second Class, the Private and the General, meet man to man, on the level. That doesn't happen in Church in the services where the enlisted men tend to take seats away from the officers.

(Laughter.)

Those things profoundly impress the non-Mason. He feels at once that these people have something that is eminently worthwhile, something that he would like to possess. I know whereof I speak; my first inkling of what Masonry could mean to a man and my own desire to become one were born of my observation of Masons in World War I.

The experience of World War II have followed the same pattern. Without exception, every Grand Lodge in English-speaking countries has shown an increase in membership between December 1941 and December 1945. That trend has continued in 1946, and we may confidently expect that it will continue for several years to come.

The same factors were operative as in preceding wars, but they were more effective this time than ever before, and because of three new reasons:

First, of these was the splendid work done, wherever our Armed Forces went, by the Masonic Service Association. I wish to pay tribute here and now in the highest terms to the outstanding services rendered to Free Masonry by Brother Carl Claudy and the efficient members of his staff.

The second new force was that exercised by all the Grand Lodges through their foresight in organizing their Masonic Military and Naval Service Committees, and in their fine correlation of the efforts of those committees. They saw to it not only that the sojourners within their boundaries were cared for, but they extended their contacts by gift and letter to the far corners of the earth.

And then there was the work done by the National Sojourners, Incorporated.

For the first time in any war organized Masonic activities were carried on in the most advanced areas, thanks to our officer brethren who were Sojourners and who founded their chapters by the hundreds in every theatre of war.

Dual and plural membership in Sojourner chapters being permissible, one could belong to as many as money and circumstances permitted.

Chapter 258 started to function in Tokyo about three months ago.

So I was pleased to be a member not only of Philadelphia Chapter No. 16, but also of South Pacific Chapter No. 193.

The Sojourners did more than found new chapters; wherever they went, they organized and supported Masonic Clubs to which all Masons, regardless of rate or rank, could belong, and to whose meetings they could bring their non-Masonic friends. I am, therefore, even more proud of my membership in the Masonic Club of New Caledonia.

These are the bright aspects of the picture.

But there is a dark side, too.

We made many members after the Civil War and World War I, and we are making many more today. But did we make, are we making Masons of them? In all too many instances, I fear not. Here are some of the reasons for my doubt:

The flourishing growth of Freemasonry after each great war has coincided with a period of national prosperity. But prosperous times have a way of being followed by hard times, and that did happen after each postwar era of prosperity. Each time Freemasonry showed a comparable regression.

The data are meager in the post-Revolutionary War period, but they are suggestive. In 1793 Philadelphia was visited by a scourge of yellow fever that killed 10 percent of its inhabitants. The following year saw the beginning of war between England and France. The latter's minister to the United States, Citizen Genet, was trying his best to embroil us in the quarrel on the side of France. Britain was impressing our seamen and had persuaded the Dey of Algiers to prey on American commerce. On top of that we had the Whisky Rebellion in the western counties of Pennsylvania. There are no figures on our membership, but the skimpy minutes

Brethren in matters Masonic, not just during the two months (or even the single night!) when they were getting their degrees, but in the months and years that followed. They will be chiefly those who, thanks to our neglect, became Masons in name only, not Masons in their hearts.

These trends are sure to confront us, they cannot be wholly set aside. But they can be modified so as to make them relatively harmless, if we prepare now to meet them. I don't recall any prophetic utterances in the nineteen-twenties about the troubles that lay ahead of Freemasonry in this country. But this time you can't say you weren't warned.

Now is the time to take our membership to task about the matter of making Masons as well as members. It is a responsibility in which we all must share. Lodge officers must see to it that indoctrination of the neophytes is planned and carried out. Recommenders of candidates are especially to be put to work on their proteges. But everyone in the Lodge should be willing to help. I was agreeably surprised when at a recent meeting of my own Lodge the Worshipful Master assigned me to take in tow a soldier who had just received his second degree. For over an hour I wandered around the Temple with him, explaining, answering questions. I went home that night with the feeling that I had really been of some use to Freemasonry.

Now is the time to think of fostering more Lodges to take care of the increasing membership, rather than letting our Lodges become too large and impersonal. I strongly feel that we should limit the number that may be initiated by any Lodge in a given month. Yet the trend in this country has been almost wholly in the opposite direction. Between 1931 and 1945 the number of Lodges in the Grand Lodge of England increased from 4,547 to 5,322. During the same time in 22 American Grand Lodges, including all the larger ones, the number of Lodges fell from 10,312 to 9,781. Are we wise in putting more eggs into fewer baskets?

All that I have said has to do only with the future of Freemasonry within a given jurisdiction. It takes no cognizance of future relations with other jurisdictions, and not only our neighbors but throughout the world. I do not apologize for spending so much time on the problems within our own Masonic households. We have a motto in our little town that to be State- and Nation-right, we must first be community-right. It is equally true of Freemasonry that we must first be Lodge- and Grand Lodge-right. But it is just as true that we must not let our practice of Masonic principles stop at the boundaries of our several Jurisdictions.

World War II, we hope, has ushered in a new era in human affairs. From now on, men must learn to think and act in terms of all mankind, not merely in a spirit of narrow nationalism. The welfare, happiness, and freedom of this Nation are ultimately contingent on the welfare, happiness, and freedom of all the nations

of the world. If civilization is to survive, men must learn to practice that basic principle of our fraternity: the brotherhood of man.

The idea is not new. World War I was fought under that banner. It was to be the war to end wars. It could have been, had we continued after that war to feel a national responsibility for the preservation of right, justice, and personal liberty in other lands as well as in our own. Instead, we withdrew from the forum of the world into the realm of our own selfish interests. We did nothing when tyranny began, now here, now there, to terrorise the little peoples, the defenseless ones: that was not our affair.

And finally we had to fight again, whether we wished it or not. Again, and only after great sacrifice, we have won a war to preserve our liberty and that of others. Are we willing and ready this time to assume our responsibility to mankind? Do we realize that we must protect the freedom of others, if we would keep our own? I hope so, for if we fail again, we will probably not have another chance.

At this point, in the light of the headline I saw in the newspapers yesterday, regarding the cut in our national budget, I hope that we will not be so shortsighted as to sidestep universal military training in this land. If we do, we commit national suicide.

Freemasonry shares in that responsibility. The preservation of democracy is essential to the preservation of Freemasonry. Personal liberty, the rights of the individual: this is the cornerstone of the edifice of Democracy. Freemasonry helped lay that cornerstone in this country. Freemasonry would defend it, were it ever threatened. Don't tell me that Freemasonry is a "fraternal order" that has, or should have, nothing to do with politics. With the working, the functioning of politics and with individual politicians, I grant you; but with political philosophy, decidedly no. Democracy is the very essence of Masonic principle and doctrine. Freemasons are the champions of Democracy wherever Freemasonry exists. Else, why would the enemies of Democracy in any land first of all seek to destroy Freemasonry? Personal freedom, the brotherhood of man, under the Fatherhood of God: these are our colors; let us own them proudly before all the world.

Freemasonry is on the threshold of an era of new and greater usefulness and service to mankind. I predict a future in which Freemasons throughout the world will be in ever closer fraternal relations. I foresee more and more personal contacts with our Brethren wherever they may be: contacts based on official recognition of Grand Lodges that are worthy of recognition by reason of the soundness of their principles and the integrity of their members, and not merely on the basis of some genealogical quibbles. I envision a future when Freemasons uphold their Brethren who are fighting the battles of Democracy in lands less fortunate and enlightened than our own, giving them not only moral and spiritual support but material aid if need be. We *are* our Brother's keepers.



AUTOMATIC SUSPENSIONS  
GEORGE H. BELEW, *Grand Secretary*  
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This has been a law of the Grand Lodge of Texas since 1934, and is now as much a part and parcel of our Grand Lodge law as is the collection of dues itself in the subordinate lodges and the per capita charged by the Grand Lodge.

In 1934 the Grand Lodge of Texas was indeed fortunate to have as its installed Grand Master Brother W. Steve Cooke, who placed at the disposal of the Masons of Texas, in addition to his many outstanding talents, that of examining from a business and Masonic standpoint the financial condition of the some 900 subordinate lodges of the Grand Jurisdiction of Texas.

Brother Cooke, with a knowledge and appreciation of the fact that during the previous years there had been forcefully brought to the business men and institutions of America the absolute need and necessity of a full and comprehensive picture of their own financial position and conditions, and considering the obligation imposed and the program expected of the lodges of Texas, bearing in mind its vast and far-reaching plan of charity, its ambitious undertakings in education and service work, determined to ascertain the true condition of the subordinate lodges. Brother Cooke pointed out in his address that he was mindful that the subordinate lodges could not carry on without the proper foundation on which to build, and knowing that if any large number of our lodges were in a serious financial condition, and that if such conditions were not immediately corrected, it would eventually result in the loss of the charters of many of our lodges, and this of course would be reflected to a large extent in the operation and crippling of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

He therefore, with the assistance of capable public accountants, had prepared a printed questionnaire (see Appendix No. 1, attached), and forwarded a copy to each subordinate lodge. He received replies from a vast majority of the lodges in Texas.

This survey gave us the astounding information that as of June 24, 1933, out of a total membership of 104,022 subject to dues, 60,023 members owed their various subordinate lodges \$625,078.47, or an average of \$10.41 per member, representing 57.7% of the members reported, and that these delinquent dues spread over a period of from one to four years.

Brother Cooke recommended that the laws be amended so as to provide that all membership dues to the subordinate lodges shall be paid within twelve months from the date of accrual and, unless such dues are paid by the last meeting of the twelfth month of the current year, such member should stand automatically suspended for nonpayment of dues, and such suspension to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting, and such member, if not pres-



ent, to be notified by mail of his suspension; such law to become and did become effective June 24, 1935.

In this connection and for your future and further information and study, in the appendix No. 2 will be found quoted the Automatic Suspension Laws, which have now been in effect for twelve years in the Grand Jurisdiction of Texas, and which you will note are simple, easily understood and easy to carry out by lodge secretaries.

In this connection it may be of interest to you to know that the per capita tax of the Grand Lodge of Texas is \$2.20, distributed as follows: General Fund, 50c; Widows and Orphans Fund, \$1.25; Masonic Education and Service, 20c; and Grand Lodge Tubercular Aid Fund, 25c,

A breakdown of these figures reveals that the Grand Lodge of Texas expends from these funds annually for charity 68%, education and service, 9% (of which funds some 7% or 8% is used by this committee for charity), and the general expenses of the Grand Lodge, 23%.

It will be readily noted that if the continuation of delinquent dues had been permitted to continue, as revealed by the above survey, serious impairment of the solvency of the Grand Lodge would have been a pressing problem, and in all probability would have caused the sharp curtailment, if not discontinuance, of a major portion of the great charitable undertakings of our Grand Lodge.

While statistics are dry, yet to give you a forceful picture of the situation as it then existed in my own Grand Lodge, these statistics will be of interest:

Lodges owing dues to the Grand Lodge as follows:

As of November 1, 1934-----	\$29,066.41
As of November 1, 1935-----	17,715.65
As of November 1, 1936-----	4,872.35
As of November 1, 1937-----	7,462.40
As of November 1, 1938-----	4,108.45
As of November 1, 1939-----	2,559.45
As of November 1, 1940-----	114.20
As of November 1, 1941-----	897.10
As of November 1, 1942-----	8.80
As of November 1, 1943-----	None
As of November 1, 1944-----	None
As of November 1, 1945-----	None
As of November 1, 1946-----	None

These figures not only speak for themselves, but prove conclusively the value and importance of the Automatic Suspension Law. The decided drop in the delinquency payments due to the Grand Lodge of Texas has continued year by year until they have reached a place where when Grand Lodge meets in December, not a single subordinate lodge is in arrears in its payments to the

Grand Lodge of Texas. This needs no further comment from me, nor does the Automatic Suspension Law need any one to debate or argue its value and importance.

In passing, I should like to further note that in the survey made in 1934 it was discovered that a large number of our lodges had fixed their annual dues at such a pitifully small figure that after paying the \$2.20 per capita tax to the Grand Lodge, many had less than \$1.00 per capita to carry on the work and activities of their respective lodges. Further, following the recommendation of Brother Cooke, the Grand Lodge adopted a minimum dues law of \$5.00 per member. (See Appendix No. 3.)

The condition of our subordinate lodges in connection with the vast amount of delinquent dues which had been permitted to pile up, and the small amount fixed for annual dues, had brought about a condition in Texas among our subordinate lodges which was alarming, and I might say appalling. The members had lost interest; many of their buildings, both large and small, were threatened with foreclosure proceedings; no funds were available for entertainment or charity in a large number of our lodges.

If such condition had been permitted to continue without correction and without leaders to guide the way to overcome these manifest financial evils, there is no doubt that many of the subordinate lodges would have lost their buildings, the charters would have been surrendered or otherwise arrested, members would have been disheartened and drifted away, and a crisis of a major proportion would have been faced by Freemasonry in Texas with resulting damage and injury to the Grand Lodge itself.

At that time it was the common practice of a great many of the lodges in Texas for the master, wardens and secretary, or a finance committee appointed by the master, from time to time to examine and study a list of the delinquent brethren. After all, all of us are but human, and no master or secretary or, for that matter, any committee made up of active lodge members desires or wishes to suspend any brother from the rights and privileges of Freemasonry, and realizing further the bitter years of the depression, it was but human that from year to year the officers and/or finance committee would remit dues or continue to carry delinquent brethren, and as the years went by it became more difficult to get these delinquent brethren to pay for the several years they had fallen behind in the payment of their dues. The lodges had for several years gone into the surplus funds of the lodge and paid the \$2.20 for these delinquent brethren, and thousands were carried on the rolls even though, as said at the beginning, many were delinquent for as many as four years.

Certainly, it needs no argument from me that where the Grand Lodge legislates on this most important matter and requires automatic suspension as of a certain date, thereby removing it from the hands of the officers of the lodge and/or a committee, the personal difficulties naturally encountered in suspending a

brother for non-payment of dues is obviated, and the members at large cannot become offended or feel aggrieved if they fail to comply with a Grand Lodge law and thereby permit themselves to become suspended Masons. Of the many reasons that may be advanced, the best and easiest to understand is that it is a law that makes no exception, plays no favorites and applies to every Mason within the Grand Jurisdiction affected.

Since the Automatic Suspension Law went into effect in Texas, one hears from every side from the average Master Mason that now every brother who sits in a lodge is in good standing, and as such contributes his part, small though it may be, to the charitable, benevolent and educational program and purposes of his Grand Lodge, and certainly it has resulted in making every brother who is today a Master Mason in good standing feel that he is more a part and parcel of Freemasonry in Texas.

Our Grand Lodge laws have suitable provision whereby a lodge may take care of and protect a brother or brethren who are worthy, but who through sickness, unfortunate circumstances, and other reasons are unable to pay their dues promptly when due, whereby such dues may be remitted. The article of our law applicable thereto you will find in the appendix No. 3, and is Article 351 and Decision 0 thereunder.

You probably have the question in your mind as to the results as may be reflected in the relationship of suspensions to reinstatements, and therefore I impose upon your time to the extent of giving you a picture of this situation. June 23, 1936, which was the close of the first Masonic year of automatic suspension, we had 13,010 suspensions for non-payment of dues. Following is a tabulation showing for each succeeding year from 1937 to 1946 the suspensions for non-payment of dues and the reinstatements for each year:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Suspensions</i>	<i>Reinstatements</i>
1937	6,303	4,853
1938	5,446	5,233
1939	4,733	4,430
1940	4,392	4,250
1941	3,708	3,881
1942	3,629	3,752
1943	2,271	4,977
1944	1,533	5,568
1945	1,304	4,991
1946	1,660	3,903
Total	34,979	45,838
Net gain		10,859

These figures reveal without fear of contradiction the gradual decrease of suspensions for non-payment of dues and the large increase of reinstatements.

No well-informed Mason would for one moment argue that the collection of dues in subordinate lodges is not closely allied and related to the progress and stable financial standing of the Grand Lodge itself.

If you will examine the Proceedings of Texas for 1934, you will get a quick and most interesting picture as to how closely related are delinquent Grand Lodge dues and net loss in membership, for therein will be found two charts, one of delinquent Grand Lodge dues and the other net loss of membership for the years 1930 to 1934, inclusive. You will note the similarity of their function or, in other words, as the amount of delinquent Grand Lodge dues goes upward or downward, so did our net loss of membership in Texas. The trend of the line in one almost parallels the other.

In other words, Brother Cooke went into this matter not as an amateur, but with the advice and assistance of experts, and the figures and conditions revealed are beyond contradiction or even elementary argument.

There are many things I should like to say that I think would be of tremendous interest, as this is a most interesting subject and one that in my opinion should be studied carefully by every Grand Jurisdiction, but in the interest of time, I must conclude, and may I say that after the first twelve months of the inauguration of the Automatic Suspension Law I have yet to hear one complaint leveled against it, but I have heard hundreds of active brethren say that it was the greatest piece of constructive legislation ever accomplished by the Grand Lodge of Texas. No one has ever attempted at any Grand Communication to in any way repeal this law, and frankly I do not think that it will ever be repealed in my Grand Jurisdiction. For the lodge officers, the lodges themselves, and the Grand Lodge it has been of the greatest assistance financially and personally to those directly concerned. Today the Grand Lodge of Texas is in the best condition financially that it has ever been in; not a single lodge of its 888 owes one penny to the Grand Lodge of Texas; its membership has reached an all-time high, being in excess of 153,000; and in this connection I respectfully call your attention to the fact that each and every one of that great number is a "Mason in good standing," which after all, I think we may point to with pardonable pride.

## DEMITS AND UNIVERSAL TRANSFER

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The subject of demits and universal transfer affords about as much opportunity for sleep-destroying discourse as would a paper on the family life of the amoeba delivered before a layman audience. Taken in the light of a much-needed implementing of the

Grand Secretary's Office in inter-jurisdictional contacts, it at once becomes a matter of intense and even controversial discussion. There is no doubt that our diversity of laws governing demits, even to the spelling of the word with an "e" or "i", provides an almost insurmountable obstacle to uniformity. The strange part of this is that in each instance the difference of opinion can be well supported by indisputable argument based on experience or even historical records.

In approaching this subject let us first get down to fundamentals and then determine the settlement of details later. First: Why demits at all? If a Mason becomes tired of his associations, why not let him resign as he would from his club? If his interest revives later, let him again petition for degrees as he did as a profane. The answer to this is obvious. The pledge or obligation connected with his original joining gives rise to the old and trite "once a Mason always a Mason." A voluntary severing of membership would be like a voluntary canceling of vows, something which we as men, in our relation to society in general, recognize cannot be done and still maintain any standard of integrity for the individual, regardless of the tribunal which passes judgment on his action. Therefore a method of temporary withdrawal from active responsibility, without cancellation of obligation, is needed. The demit is the answer to this problem. Whether we think of it as demit "withdrawing from," or "dimit," "sending away," as variously interpreted by competent authorities, it still represents the brother as going into a period of temporary dormancy, as regards his obligation to one or another organization, and not from the fundamental association which we have always been taught lies in the heart of a Mason.

Since the demit or dimit is necessary, then the question of fundamental need is answered in the affirmative. Details then become the matter for consideration. What is the first stumbling block to uniformity? Strange and unrelated as it may seem, and obviously not justified in fact, is the fear of the loss of jurisdictional sovereignty entailed in changing any idiomatic procedures peculiar to the ritualistic ceremony of a jurisdiction. Unjustified as it is, the bugaboo of Supreme Grand Lodge Sovereignty is paraded at the least hint of a clearing house of Masonic ideas, whether it be demanded by actual needs or the suggestion of a Master or Secretary with a "new idea." The cry of "Innovation" most effectually drives the timid proponent back into the safety of established custom.

In 1935 a survey by the M. S. A. brought out the fact that forty-four jurisdictions regard it as an unquestioned right of the brother to ask for a demit. Four others qualified this assent with minor and as related to the greater issue, unimportant conditions. In all probability this same general situation still exists, for Masonic institutions are not prone to change their laws often, especially with regard to fundamentals.

Thirty-four jurisdictions required written applications for a dimit, a provision wisely held. Men are prone to resign from committees in the heat of argument or discussion. This is also true of lodge matters in general which may not meet the approval of the individual and in the sense of his own self-righteousness a brother may orally ask for a dimit which in the time required to write the request would lose its temper and result in a more sensible and cooler attitude. We often repent of oral statements made in the heat of discussion. Written statements are permanent commitments, and few men take such steps without first carefully weighing pros and cons. A written request need not give personal reasons, but is valuable in that it usually indicates a step taken after due deliberation.

All jurisdictions grant dimits based upon good standing in financial relation to the lodge. This may be amplified to include any period of time according to the interpreting of the lodge as to "good standing." Various other conditions apply, but the final analysis in all cases requires a "dues paid" standing before the dimit can issue. The right to withdraw is generally recognized, but includes the qualification "honorably."

There is an almost fifty-fifty division on the question of whether the lodge must vote on granting a dimit. Where the lodge does not vote, the Worshipful Master, who is elected because of his good judgment in conducting the affairs of the fraternity, is acting for the lodge.

A condition attached to the granting of the dimit is found to be so nearly universally frowned upon that it may be stated that the requirement to affiliate with another lodge is looked upon in much the same light as the question of solicitation for degrees. Since this paper is meant to deal with the inter-jurisdictional aspects, the matter of affiliation among lodges under the same aegis is not being considered. Surely a Mason moving from one jurisdiction to another should work in conjunction with the authority under whose supervision he lives. If he regards Masonry as a social order, then he is quite justified in accepting the courtesies extended to a "traveler in foreign countries" and remaining unaffiliated; but if he is a Mason at heart working for the good of humanity, he should unite with his neighbors and strengthen both them and himself. A hermit lives a godly life, but seldom benefits his fellow men. A sojourner should be encouraged to become active in his new associations. Who could more fitly encourage him than his own mother Grand Lodge? Solicitation to membership should be regarded as a courtesy from the host Grand Lodge. Surely no Grand Lodge can be justly accused of striving for numerical superiority, which is the usual objective of solicitation in its most common form!

Several arguments may be advanced for limiting the validity of a dimit to a given period of time. Perhaps a year is not enough, and two would be better. Surely, since the dimit is a certificate of



good standing in the Masonic Order, even though the holder has withdrawn from active membership, the Grand Lodge should limit its own responsibility for good character and conduct of this Mason who, in the eyes of the public, is "always a Mason" and carries a certificate of standing in the form of his dimit for life, unless a time limit of validity is fixed. The Grand Lodge always fixes a time limit for active members to pay dues and suspends them when delinquent. Why should greater courtesy be extended to one who through choice has sidestepped financial responsibility? Let me illustrate the misuse of unlimited demits. A prominent Shriner died recently. It was found that he had taken a dimit from his Lodge years ago. Lack of uniformity in records allowed him to continue with Consistory and Shrine, the lodge thinking his dimit had been placed elsewhere. A very prominent divine entered the same jurisdiction and was enthusiastically received by Masonic groups. An attempt to visit a Lodge disclosed that his dimit had been taken more than twenty years before in another state, and in the interim he had visited lodges and commanderies in other states and had been made a life member of a Shrine Temple. He was of the belief that it was a matter of choice on his part whether he returned to the "colorless" membership of lodge and chapter. These two are but small parts of innumerable illustrations of the need for a universal system of demits or of a transfer of membership.

Charles C. Hunt had answered the query as to uniformity in these matters with the very simple but most obvious statement that the need is for uniformity. The need of attaining it is far more important than the details of the plan which may be adopted. We as Secretaries are elected to serve, not one lodge, but all in our respective jurisdictions. In so doing we must have the knowledge of the needs of our members in relation to other recognized grand jurisdictions. This makes us all equally concerned in the problems of one another, and equally responsible for the solution. With this in view, a committee of uniformity should be appointed from the Conference, whose duty it will be to prepare a set of uniform recommendations for the legislative branches of our respective Grand Lodges, with the avowed purpose of making the business of the Grand Lodge office reflect the actual wishes of the fraternity generally, and the recommendation should be the unanimously approved findings of the committee, which the respective Grand Secretaries could and would defend as a service to their own jurisdictions.

Some recommendations to this committee would be already in effect in many states, but are of such distinct value as to be worthy of general consideration.

1. A uniformity of dimit for Master Masons, Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts are purposely omitted as not being "full-fledged" members of their lodges. This dimit should have a stub attached to be returned to the issuing lodge within a stated time or the dimit would be invalid for affiliation except by approval of

the issuing lodge on presentation of sufficient evidence to heal the deficiency. The demit should carry pertinent information to further identify the holder, *i. e.*, age, height, complexion, date of initiation, passing and raising. The stub should have the date of election to membership in the new lodge and date of actual affiliation, if different. Present residence should be recorded for the sake of contact in future years for "anniversary celebrations," "fifty-year medal presentations," etc.

2. For E.A.'s and F.C.'s a certificate of transfer carrying much the same information as the Master Mason's demit should be issued, with a limitation on the time for re-establishing Masonic contacts. As "a little knowledge is a dangerous thing," here as well as elsewhere, the incomplete membership should be urged to a conclusion by transfer to a lodge which shall continue the travel on the road to light. A full withdrawal certificate should be issued to the E. A. or F. C. who for reasons good and sufficient to himself wishes to sever all connection with the Order. This would not be a valid demit except to reaffiliate with the issuing lodge and not usable for transfer under any condition.

3. A transfer of membership for Master Masons should be provided so that a continuance of activity could be secured without the necessity of a penalty period of standing on a demit. This should be provided in such a way as not to violate the law against dual membership so generally prevalent, either in fact or in spirit. Some jurisdictions have tried to solve this particular problem by allowing election to membership subject to filing of demit. It has not been satisfactory in all cases.

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4. A decision as to whether the lodge membership card should be a certificate of good standing from a visitor contemplating affiliation should be made.

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The need for uniformity can be met.

## WAIVERS OF JURISDICTION

### WINTHROP BUCK, *Grand Secretary* *Grand Lodge of Connecticut*

Waivers of course were not thought of or needed until the jurisdictions restricted themselves to the territory within their geographical limitations. This began to be the practice shortly after 1800. It was then but a natural step to limit the jurisdiction of a Constituent Lodge to the territory in its own neighborhood considering that the character of an applicant could be best investigated near where he resided.

Nearly every Grand Lodge requires a year's residence of its applicants. A majority of them also require six months' residence

within the jurisdiction of the Constituent Lodge. As we understand the law of Wisconsin, this is doubled in both cases.

When it comes to waivers within a state, the practice is fairly uniform. The great majority permit it. There are five, however, where waivers between Lodges within the state are not permitted at all, namely, Mississippi, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Previously Ohio permitted waivers but recently changed and now advises petitioners to join the Lodge having jurisdiction over their residence, take a dimit and in due time affiliate with the Lodge of their choice. In two Canadian Grand Lodges a dispensation from the Grand Master is needed, and this costs \$10.00. In this jurisdiction where we are met no waivers are required within the District, for all their Lodges have concurrent jurisdiction.

Treatment of a request for a waiver varies. New Brunswick decides it by a show of hands, and if denied the denial can be overruled by the Grand Master. New York requires only a majority vote to grant the waiver, but Connecticut requires a unanimous secret ballot.

The justice of this practice in my jurisdiction I fail to see. Perhaps originally a waiver carried with it a recommendation of good character, but at present I doubt if such is the case in more than a very small percentage of waivers. Why, then, should the secret ballot of one member prevent a petitioner running the risk of the ballot in the Lodge of his own choice? He is going to be investigated by the committee of that Lodge and his faults brought to light. If the objecting member of the Lodge having jurisdiction desires, he can inform the Master of the other Lodge of the faults of the petitioner. I believe that at least a quarter of the votes cast should be required to deny a waiver.

This matter was brought up by the Grand Master of Connecticut in our recent Annual. I quote from his address:

"Under our rules it requires a unanimous secret ballot to release territorial jurisdiction in favor of another Lodge, and no Lodge can receive and confer the degrees upon a candidate residing outside its territorial jurisdiction and within this Grand Jurisdiction without such unanimous consent. However, should the request for release of jurisdiction be made on behalf of an applicant residing outside this Grand Jurisdiction unanimous consent is not necessarily required. The release would then be granted in conformity to the rules of that jurisdiction. Sixteen jurisdictions do not require a unanimous ballot, and three others only under certain circumstances. Vermont does not require a ballot; New York requires a majority ballot; New Jersey a three-fourths majority; and Rhode Island a unanimous ballot only on a rejected applicant.

"Why should a release of territorial jurisdiction necessitate a unanimous secret ballot? If release be granted, the applicant must still be investigated by and pass the unanimous secret ballot of the Lodge to which he has made application. Our rules do not require an investigation to be made of the candidate for whom

release is desired, nor do we require the request for release to lie over until the next communication before balloting. The request is read in the Lodge and may be ballotted upon immediately. It is very apparent, therefore, that the ballot cannot, and is not intended, to give any warranty for or against the character or desirability of the candidate. It is simply the surrender of the claim that the Lodge has upon him by virtue of his having residence within its territory, and nothing more. Unless the Lodge itself desires the candidate for its own membership, there would appear to be no valid reason for not releasing jurisdiction over him.

"To require a unanimous secret ballot to release territorial jurisdiction so that another Lodge, after proper investigation, can decide by another unanimous secret ballot whether or not it will accept a candidate seems almost to reflect upon the capability of the second Lodge to properly decide for itself as to whom it will receive as desirable members."

The majority of Grand Lodges state that, when a man has lived long enough in one area to enable a constituent Lodge or the Grand Lodge to acquire jurisdiction, moves to another jurisdiction or Grand Jurisdiction and then applies within, let us say, a month to the constituent Lodge nearest his residence, the original Lodge or Grand Lodge has no jurisdiction to waive upon request. The petitioner just has to wait until he has lived in the second home for the required time. A few Grand Lodges claim jurisdiction over such a petitioner until he has lived in his second home the required time and consequently grant waivers in such cases. But why, now that the rush to get into Masonry before going to a South Pacific island for military service is over, should we aid and abet this hurrying habit to which we have all objected? In a few jurisdictions the situation is changed if the petitioner has been rejected before moving his residence and jurisdiction is claimed for three or five years. Some agree to these claims but most jurisdictions are unwilling to recognize them.

Montana would like to have it a universal practice throughout the country that the rejecting Lodge claim jurisdiction for three, four, or five years. But Ontario entirely disagrees. "The idea of retaining jurisdiction even for a limited period over a man who has taken up permanent residence in the jurisdiction of another Grand Lodge has always seemed to me to be inconsistent with the sovereign rights of that Grand Lodge within its territorial boundaries."

Oklahoma would favor a uniform rule that all requests for waiver from one Grand Jurisdiction to another should pass through the hands of the Grand Secretaries of the Grand Jurisdictions concerned. I think that this is already required in most jurisdictions; and if not, we can easily insist on it in our individual offices.

Vermont feels that in these days of big business, chain stores,

branch houses and more or less frequent relocation of personnel it is unfair to deprive a man of the opportunity of Masonry merely because of his residence. It would like to see a uniform regulation that, when a man has lived his year in any Grand Jurisdiction, and moves to another Grand Jurisdiction, the jurisdiction as to residence of the first would be recognized until he had established a year in some other jurisdiction for the purpose of waiver if nothing more. Nova Scotia expressed the same thought.

Indiana suggests universal adoption of one of their rules to prevent candidates looking for a bargain counter. If in that state the Lodge waiving jurisdiction charges a fee of \$100 for instance and the Lodge receiving the waiver charges only \$40, the petitioner, if elected, has to pay the \$100 fee, and the Lodge which the petitioner joins sends \$60 to the Masonic Home Fund.

Reading and rereading the letters received from you Grand Secretaries convinced me that universality in procedure here in the United States and Canada is impossible. We are fairly well agreed as to requiring at least one year's residence in the State of any petitioner. Most of us permit waivers between Lodges within a state and a majority disclaim jurisdiction over a non-petitioner who has removed from the jurisdiction of a constituent Lodge or a Grand Lodge. Perhaps as Grand Secretaries we can guide our Grand Lodges into agreement with the above. To me the suggestions of the Grand Secretaries of Vermont and Indiana are worthy of serious consideration, and right here I wish to express my belief again that waivers between Lodges in one Grand Jurisdiction should not require a unanimous secret ballot.

## DUAL AND PLURAL MEMBERSHIP

State	In State		Outside State	
	Dual	Plural	Dual	Plural
Alabama.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Alberta.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
Arizona.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Arkansas.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
British Columbia.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
California.....	No	No	Yes	No
Canada (Ontario).....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colorado.....	No	No	No	No
Connecticut.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
Delaware.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Distrit of Columbia.....	No	No	Yes	No
Florida.....	Yes	No	No	No
Georgia.....	No	No	No	No
Idaho.....	No	No	No	No
Illinois.....	No	No	No	No
Indiana.....	No	No	No	No
Iowa.....	No	No	No	No
Kansas.....	No	No	No	No
Kentucky.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Louisiana.....	No	No	No	No
Maine.....	No	No	No	No
Manitoba.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maryland.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Massachusetts.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michigan.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minnesota.....	No	No	No	No
Mississippi.....	No	No	No	No
Missouri.....	No	No	No	No
Montana.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Nebraska.....	No	No	No	No
Nevada.....	No	No	No	No
New Brunswick.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Hampshire.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
New Jersey.....	No	No	No	No
New Mexico.....	No	No	No	No
New York.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
North Carolina.....	No	No	No	No
North Dakota.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nova-Scotia.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ohio.....	No	No	No	No
Oklahoma.....	No	Yes	No	Yes
Oregon.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
Pennsylvania.....	No	No	No	No
Philippine Islands.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Prince Edward Is.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
Quebec.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Rhode Island.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saskatchewan.....	Life member	Yes	Life member	Yes
South Carolina.....	Only	Yes	Only	Yes
South Dakota.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tennessee.....	No	No	No	No
Texas.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
Utah.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
Vermont.....	No	No	Yes	Yes
Virginia.....	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Washington.....	Yes	No	Yes	No
West Virginia.....	No	No	No	No
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